

### The Rush That Wasn't: West's Plunge Into East Europe

By Stephen Engelberg

WARSAW — More than two years after the fail of communism, it seems clear that the early dreams of a gold rush to Eastern Europe were greatly overblown.

There has been a trickle of investors -- for instance, General Motors, which announced last week that it was setting up a joint venture to make cars in Poland. But the numbers have remained small, and the smus of money much less than what is needed.

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"The West isn't exactly rushing to the East," said Jan Vanous, president of Planecon, a consulting firm in Washington.

Every former Communist nation lacks domestic capital to modernize and privatize its industry.

Whether they succeed or stumble in their transition to capitalism depends largely on how quickly they can sell their state-run indus-tries, most of which are mismanaged. Without sizable sums from the West, the

Vienna is becoming a major base for U.S. companies in Eastern Europe. Page 13.

transformation of these economies will proceed slowly. The reasons that Western investors are not

rushing in are many. They grumble with good reason about bureaucratic and legal tangles. But economists and local officials say the problems run much deeper than government meptitude.

Even with wages that hover between \$100

and \$200 a month, the typical East European factory needs top-to-bottom reorganization, a management challenge that has discouraged all but the most committed investors.

"This country is risky," said Jerzy Thieme, a senior official in the Polish Ministry of Ownership Transformation. "Let's not delude ourselves that if we remove one or two roadblocks, capital would flow right in. We could achieve at best a marginal improvement — instead of 20 deals, maybe 50 — but it still won't solve the problem

Nor is there that much investment capital available. "The state of the global economy is not such

that most investors are aggressively looking for new opportunities," Mr. Vanous said. "Another major factor is the withdrawal of

the Japanese. We don't see them almost at all in East Europe, not even East Germany, Finally, with 1992 unification of Europe, a lot of companies continue to focus on operating within the region, and we see waves of mergers and acquisitions."

Most of the stylishly clad executives who filled the best hotels of Warsaw, Prague and Budapest in the exuberant autumn of 1989 came, saw and left.

Those who have stayed are following longterm strategic plans, many of which are only now beginning to bear fruit. Unilever of the Netherlands and Britain recently bought a Polish detergent factory after nearly two years of trying. General Motors signed its \$75 million joint-

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s International Vienna;



On Arms Issue, Britain Says It Would Consider **Taking Military Action** 

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

GENEVA - The United Nations Human Rights Commission condemned Iraq on Thursday for violations "of the gravest nature," including systematic torture and mass executions. The commission, the UN's principal humanrights watchdog, adopted the Western-spon-sored motion by a vote of 35 to 1, with 16 abstentions. Iraq was the sole dissenter. The condemnation was the strongest handed out to any of more than 20 countries whose

records were investigated in the commission's six-week session, which ends Friday. Iraq rejected the accusations.

The commission voted as the Gulf War allies weighed new measures to step up pressure on Baghdad to comply with UN demands.

Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd of Britain said Thursday that London would consider a military strike against Iraq if President Saddam Hussein continued to defy the United Nations by refusing to destroy Baghdad's weapons of mass destruction.

The United States has raised the possibility of seizing Iraqi assets that were frozen in foreign countries because of the Gulf War, if Baghdad fails to comply with UN resolutions mandating the dismanting of Iraq's nuclear, chemical, biological and ballistic weapons.

In Washington, the Defense Department accused Iraq ou Thursday of burying Scud ballistic missile launchers, nuclear equipment and other military items in defiance of cease-fire requirements.

"They've been hiding things since the UN inspection started," said Pete Williams, the department spokesman, "They've been burying parts of their nuclear capability. They've been

parts of their nuclear capability, they we been burying all kinds of things, ballistic missile capability right along with everything else." In its resolution, the UN commission ex-pressed its "strong condemnation of the mas-sive violations of human rights of the gravest nature."

The resolution denounced "summary and arbitrary executions, orchestrated mass execu-tions and burials, extrajudicial killings, in par-ticular in the northern Kardish region, in southern Shia centers." The commission condemned Baghdad for the

widespread routine practice of systematic torture in its most cruel forms, including torture of children." It expressed particular concern that the com-

mission's special envoy, Max van der Stoel, "could find no reliable indication" when he visited Iraq that the government was taking steps to prevent violations. Mr. van der Stoel, a former Dutch foreign minister, told the commission two weeks ago that Iraq's violations were "so grave and are of such a massive nature that since the Second World War few parallels can be found."

### **Drug Profit** Said to Fuel Fighting in Yugoslavia

#### By Barry James ternational Herald Tribune

PARIS — The fighting in Yugoslavia is being partially financed by vast profits from drug trafficking through the Balkans. according to a Paris-based narcotics moni-

toring group. In a climate of economic and social turnoil, Eastern Europe has become the main channel for heroin shipments into Western Europe, according to the group, the Observatoire Géopolitique des Drogues.

It says that smugglers have used narcotics proceeds to buy arms and ammunition in Switzerland. The weapons were sold to Croatian militia units and other armed factions in Yugoslavia, which helped them evade international embargoes.

Croatian exiles in Latin America shipped containers of cocaine to Croatian ports for sale in Western Europe, accord-ing to police sources quoted by the monitor group.

Almost three-quarters of the heroin seized within the EC originates in Central Asia and reaches Western Europe via Turkey and the Balkans. The three most important routes cross Yagoslavia, although other pipelines run through Bulgaria, Ro-mania, Hungary and Czechoslovakia, the

group says. With the opening of the East-West bor-der, it is impossible to check the hundreds of thousands of trailer-trucks and millions r cars that cross from East to West every year. Gary Carter, a spokesman for the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, said the Balkan trail had become "a very significant route for a lot of heroin." He said his unit had offices in the region "to try to monitor the flow" in cooperation with law enforcement authorities in the host countries. However, he said, truck smuggling thrives in part because of government-to-government agreements that bar border officials from searching trucks that have customs seals from their country of origin A U.S. government report describes Turkey as a "major transit country for European-bound southwest Asian her-oin." But it said Greece also was a conduit, with possible links between Greek criminals and Middle Eastern terrorist groups. Mr. Carter said he had no knowledge of the reported arms purchases from profits of the Balkan drug trade. The monitoring group quoted Swiss jus-tice officials as saying that a small army of smugglers from the Albanian minority in Yugoslavia's southern Kosovo region have



NO RELEASE - Valentin Ceausescu, son of the former Romanian leader Nicolae Ceansescn, in a Bucharest military court during an appeal for his brother Nicu, 40,

who is serving a 16-year prison term for killings during the 1989 revolution. The court -rejected a report that held Nicu Ceausescu was terminally ill and should be released.

### In Presidential Race, Frustration on Both Sides

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### **Democrats Reach a Crossroads**

By Thomas B. Edsall

Washington Post Service WASHINGTON — A fundamental di-lemma for the Democratic Party has begun to emerge in sharp relief as the battle for the presidential nomination enters a crucial twoweek period. Governor Bill Clinton of Arkansas and former Senator Paul E. Tsongas of Massachusetts each have half the essential ingredients for victory in November -- but neither is yet capable of putting together the complete package.

Mr. Chinton, in a fashion unprecedented for a Democratic presidential candidate in recent years, has united core factions of the traditional Democratic alliance, wings of the party that have been at each other's throats from the late 1960s until only recently. Mending racial divides, Mr. Clinton has put together a base of support among blacks and working-class whites that parallels the traditional Roosevelt coalition. A strong turnout of this base Democratic vote is essential for

the party to win in November. Mr. Tsongas, in turn, has captured the

imagination and perhaps the loyalty of the upscale, white suburban vote. More independent and less partisan, these voters represent one of the fastest-growing segments of the electorate. They have been a key element of recent Republican presidential victories as their impact has grown with the steady cro-

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sion of the influence of the big-city and bluecollar vote

Senator Bob Kerrey of Nebraska dropped out of the Democratic race Thursday, citing a lack of funds. His departure left four major contenders for the nomination. Page 3.1 The Clinton-Tsongas division of the Dem-

ocratic electorate resembles the Hubert Humphrey-George McGovern split in 1972, although class and racial divisions have characterized Democratic primary contests in virtually every battle from 1968 to the pre-The demographic split reflects the fact

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### Spoiler Buchanan Angers Bush

By E.J. Dionne Jr.

Washington Past Service WASHINGTON - Patrick J. Buchanan loses primaries but has absolutely no reason to end his presidential campaign. In fact, he proclaims that even his losses are great victonies.

Republican Party leaders scratch their heads and keep asking, "What does he want?" Mr. Buchanan says he speaks for the philosophical soul of his party, which is being betrayed by its leaders. And his campaign goes on and on.

It is hard to imagine any other Republi-can, having decisively lost seven contests in a row, getting up in the morning and saying, as Mr. Buchanan did at a news conference Wednesday in Louisiana, that Mr. Bush should consider "standing down as a candi-

The president's camp now makes no effort to hide its frustration with Mr. Buchanan.

"I don't think anybody knows what he's going to do," said Marlin Fitzwater, the White House press secretary. "I fully expect

him to go to all the primaries, whether he wins or not."

As the aggravation of the Bush forces grows, so does the harshness of their attacks.

"Buchanan," said Newt Gingrich of Geor-gia, the House Republican whip, "is in very great danger, in my judgment, of isolating himself as a sort of an extremist who is closer to David Duke than he is to the normal mainstream conservative.

"The longer this campaign goes on," Mr. Gingrich added, "the less acceptable Bu-

chanan as a person is going to become." Mr. Gingrich's comments captured the threat that now hangs over Mr. Buchanan as he ponders his moves after next week's "Spper Tuesday" contests. It is clear that Mr. Buchanan has the

ability to continue his campaign right through to the Republican convention in August

Using the mailing list from his newsletter and subscription lists from various conservative publications, he has built a large core of

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Human-rights groups like Annesty International for years accused Iraq of serious rights violations. But it was only after Iraq became an international political outcast after the Gulf War that the commission decided to start a formal investigation.

Mr. Hurd, speaking on British radio, said pressure against Iraq had to be maintained to force Baghdad to comply with UN cease-fire terms. "And we have not ruled out a military strike," he said.

A former UN inspector in Iraq, David Kay, said that military action was the only option left.

"I think right now the only alternative is strong coordinated military action by the per-manent five of the Security Council," he said. To allow Iraq to continue to set deadlines for

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### ANC Sees Breakthrough in New Accord on Interim Rule

JOHANNESBURG -- The African National Congress hailed a tentative agreement Thursday with South Africa's white rulers on a multiracial interim government that might put Nelson Mandela in the cabinet this year.

"We consider these proposals an important breakthrough," the con-gress's secretary-general, Cyril Ramaphosa, said in Johannesburg, where the multiparty Convention for a Democratic South Africa is

hammering out the ground rules option under any guise is not ac-for transition. option under any guise is not ac-ceptable." ably including Mr. Mandela, in place by the end of the year.

Mr. Ramaphosa warned at a tion would have to be put together news conference, however, that President Frederik W. de Klerk, by all the parties at the convention. who has called a referendum on March 17 to test white support for nance Minister Barend du Plessis political change, would not be left to appoint the transitional cabinet said in Cape Town on Wednesday that the outline called for an apon his own. nointed interim cabinet and not an

"We reject any interpretation that the agreement implies that the state president will appoint mem-bers into the cabinet," he said. "Co-

He said the interim administra-

Mr. de Klerk has challenged rightist opponents of his apartheid reforms to a referendum show-Details of the draft agreement down, saying he will quit if the have not been released, but Fi- country's 3.3 million whites reject power sharing. He urged English-speaking

whites in the Natal Province farming town of Ladysmith on Thursday to endorse his proposals for a nonracial democracy with a resounding "yes." ties the Mr. de Klerk accused the rightist healed.

Conservative Party, which has al-ready condemned the convention's proposal on interim rule, of racism. They can cry to beaven and say they are not racist but their policy is racist," he told 200 followers in Ladysmith, scene of an epic siege in

the Boer War. The war at the turn of the century gave Britain control of indepen-

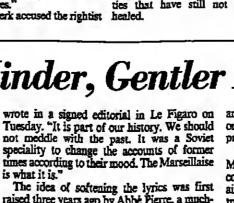
dent Boer republics and created CTOSS. divisions between South Africa's English and Afrikaans communities that have still not entirely

Mr. de Klerk, an Afrikaner, told his audience in predominantly English-speaking Natal Province: "Whenever Conservative Party

speakers get emotional, it's Afrikanerdom, Afrikanerdom, Afri-kanerdom. They are not sure if they want the English or Natal in their white state or not - if I were an

English speaker, I would be so

The Conservative Party and other far-right groups demand an independent white state and reject talks on a nonracial constitution.



only country in the world to have adopted and preserved a bellicose anthem."

Mr. Thuair in which "To Arms, Citizens" beaim goes from mobilizing the nation to fight a treacherous enemy intent on "slaughtering sons, wives and kin" to celebrating freedom and silencing the cannons.

republican spirit of liberty, equality and frater-nity and with the universal desire for peace."

ence to "impure blood" removed because, with xenophobic sentiments on the rise, it seems to play into the hands of the National Front, the See ANTHEM, Page 4

He also quoted an alternative text written by comes "Together, Citizens" and the anthem's The Committee for a Marseillaise of Frater-

nity, which counts singers, industrialists and politicians as well as Mrs. Mitterrand among its sponsors, has in turn proposed a competition to come up with "a text in harmony with the

The committee particularly wants the refer-



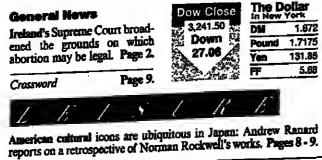
into a mine to search for 150 co-workers feared dead in an explosion Tuesday. Later, a fire forced rescners to postpone their effort. At least 138 miners are known dead. Page 4.

**U.S. Official Criticizes Palestinians** WASHINGTON (Reuters) - A senior American official said Thursday that Palestinians taking part in the Middle East peace talks were more interested in posturing for the press than real negotis-

tions. The official, who briefed reporters a day after the end of the fruitless fourth round of Arab-Israeli talks, said it was time for all the parties to get serious. But he reserved special criticism for the Palestinians. "In our view," he said, "they ought to have experts present their views as the Israelis did in this round."

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### Some Ask a Kinder, Gentler Marseillaise

#### By Alan Riding New York Times Service

PARIS - Exactly 200 years after France's stirringly revolutionary national anthem was composed, "les enfants de la patrie" are again being called to arms - this time to defend La Marseillaise against an attack by political correciness.

The offensive has taken the form of a campaign to replace the anthem's more bloodthirsty lyrics with more brotherly phrases to demonstrate that French patriots no longer dream of spilling the "impure blood" of forciences. Instead, the new message would be kinder and gentler.

But while more than 100 prominent citizens, including France's first lady, Danielle Mitterrand, have endorsed the campaign, the response of traditionalists has been swift. This week, a Committee for the Defense of the Marseillaise was formed to the cry of "Hands off our national anthem!"

"We should not touch it," Georges Suffert

Tuesday. "It is part of our history. We should not meddle with the past. It was a Soviet speciality to change the accounts of former

gathered momentum after a 10-year-old girl, Severine Dupelloux, sang the anthem at the opening ceremony of the Winter Olympics in Albertville on Feb. 8.

Suddenly, the contrast between the innocence of her unaccompanied voice and the ferocity of the words - subtitled for the benefit of foreign viewers - seemed too much. "How can one call out 'To Arms!' in an Olympic Stadium?" asked Charles Ferange, a retired fire department general.

In an article in Le Figaro, Mr. Ferange described the research by a former fireman, Armand Thuair, who had studied 175 national

is what it is." The idea of softening the lyrics was first raised three years ago by Abbé Pierre, a much-admired defender of human rights, but it only

wrote in a signed editorial in Le Figaro on anthems and found that "France today is the

### With Rape Case Ruling, Irish Seem to Relax Abortion Stance

#### By James F. Clarity New York Times Service

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DUBLIN --- The Supreme Court, by a 4-to-1 margin, appeared Thursday to have broadened the grounds on which abortion may be legal in Ireland. Until now, abortion had been allowed only when the life of the mother was in immediate danger from a

sustained pregnancy. But Thursday the court explained why it had per-mitted a 14-year-old girl who said she had been raped to go to England for an abortion. The court said it feared the girl would have killed herself if she had not been allowed to go.

The case caused an emotional uproar here and abroad last month when the Irish attorney general forbade the girl to travel to England to have the abortion, after she told the police that she had been

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Dublin. When the family was told it was breaking Irish law, the girl returned to Ireland and her parents appealed the order.

One court upheld it, which provoked charges that Ireland was a barbarous and medieval country. Opponents of abortion said that Ireland was obey-

ing the law of God, or at least of the Roman Catholic Church in this predominantly Catholic country, where the constitution also prohibits divorce and where law severely restricts the distribution of condoms.

Last week the Supreme Court upheld the girl's appeal, permitting her to travel to London. But the five-member court did not give the reasons for their decision until Thursday.

Each of the five judges read his own remarks elabo-

raped by the father of one of her friends in suburban rating his vote. Immediately afterward, the govern- night to life was "insufficiently vindicated" by the ment of Prime Minister Albert Reynolds came under attorney general's contention that "the life of the pressure to change the law to bring it into line with the court decision.

The court chided the legislature but did not order mother existed." the government to legislate or to put the issue to another referendum.

In 1983, Ireland approved, by 2 to 1, a constitution-al amendment virtually banning abortion.

The government has made it clear that it wants to avoid a divisive referendum, which could become confused with the public approval that the government seeks for the new treaty on the structure of Europe. This is expected to go to the Irish voters this summer.

Justice Thomas A. Finlay, in a 54-page explication, spoke for the majority of four. He said that the girl's do.

unborn could only be terminated if it were established that an inevitable or immediate risk to the life of the

One of the country's leading anti-abortion advo-cates, William Binchy, said, "They have introduced legalized abortion in Ireland."

He said that a new referendum was needed to undo what the Supreme Court had apparently done.

Another anti-abortion proponent, Senator Des Hanafin, said he was "outraged and astonished."

Mr. Reynolds, said that he would give "a lot of time and careful consideration" to the Supreme Court decisions before deciding what the government should

WORLD BRIEFS

#### Swiss Gunman, on Rampage, Kills 6

LUGANO, Switzerland (AP) — A man armed with a Kalashnikov semiautomatic rifle killed six people and wounded six in a rampage near here, ringing doorbells and firing on victims as they answered the door the police said Thursday.

It was one of the worst in a series of mass killings in Switzerland in recent years. Critics have ascribed previous incidents to the country's liberal gun laws.

The man, identified as Erminio Criscione, 37, surrendered to the police in tears after his two-hour rampage Wednesday night in the villages of Rivera, Origito and Massagno, the police said. They said they had no idea what had motivated the killings and would not say whether Mr. Criscione knew his victims.

#### Peruvian Rebels Kill 8 in Ambush

HUANCAYO, Peru (AFP) — Shining Path guerrillas ambushed a schoolbus, killing four police officers and four teachers who had apparently ignored a warning not to hold classes, the police said Thursday. A 16-year-old boy was the sole survivor of the attack, which took place

Wednesday near Huancayo, 200 kilometers (125 miles) east of Lima. The youth told the police that about 10 guerrillas had taken part in the nhush

The teachers were on their way to work at a local school although they had been warned by guerrillas not to do so, the police said.

#### Jews Block Work at Cemetery Site

HAMBURG (Reuters) — Construction of a shopping mall atop the site of an old Jewish cemetery in Germany was halted indefinitely Thursday after Orthodox Jews threatened to throw themselves in front of earth-moving machines. Eight Orthodox Jews from the United States, France and Britain knelt

on the construction site to pray and warned they would throw themselves in the path of the tractors unless work was stopped. "We have suspended the work until further notice," said Peter Brann, company foreman at the

In 1945, the 350-year-old cametery was handed back by British military authorities to a group of Jews who had returned to Hamburg. That group, whose authority is now disputed by official Jewish organizations, sold it in 1950 to the investors, who resold it to another company now seeking to develop the site.

#### **Tibetan Pans UN Inaction on China**

NEW DELHI (AFP) — The Dalai Lama's office voiced disappoint-ment Thursday at the shelving of a United Nations resolution criticizing China on its human-rights record. "It is very unfortunate because everyone knows that human rights are being violated in China and Tibet," asid Migyur Dorgee, the Tibetan spiritual leader's representative in New Delhi. His remarks came after the UN Human Rights Commission voted in Generation on Wadnedge unt to consider the mechanism.

Geneva on Wednesday not to consider the resolution, which was spon-sored by the West and Japan. The Chinese delegate to the commission said the resolution was aimed, under the guise of human rights, at supporting "a small group of separatist Tibetan exiles who wanted to separate Tibet from China."

#### Malta Weighs Offer to Try Libyans

VALLETTA, Malta (Reuters) - The government said Thursday that it would consider an offer from Tripoli to allow the trial in Malta of two Libyans suspected of bombing a Pan American World Airways jet over Lockerbie, Scotland, in 1988.

Lockerbie, Scotland, in 1988. "If the parties involved agreed, Malta would consider it," the foreign minister, Ouido de Marco, said, "although we have everything to lose and nothing to gain by doing so." Any such trial would be held according to Maltese law and judicial procedures, he added. Mr. de Marco was commenting on a report by the UN secretary-general, Butros Butros Ghali, on discussions with Libya about the Lockerbie bombing, Britain and the United States want the two suspects extradited from Libya to stand trial. Mr. Butros Ghali said one possibility mentioned by the Libyan leader Coloned Momentum Gadhali, was for the mentioned by the Libyan leader, Colonel Moammar Gadhafi, was for the suspects to go on trial in another Arab country or in Malta.

#### **TRAVEL UPDATE**

#### 2 Air Reservation Services to Merge

AMSTERDAM (AP) - Two of the airline industry's leading computcrized reservation operations said Thursday that they planned to merge to form the first global travel ticketing system. Covia, half-owned by United Airlines, and Galileo, controlled by nine

European aidines, have signed a letter of intent for the merger expected by the end of this year. The new company, to be called Galileo Interna-tional, will serve over 25,000 travel agencies worklwide, according to Pieter Bouw, chairman of Galileo and president of KLM Royal Dutch Airlines

Britain is considering allowing first- and business-class passengers to go through their own immigration lines at Heathrow airport, avoiding long lines. Under the plan, airlines would provide the funds for extra immigra-tion control officials, who would be employed by the government, the stor Almenc Home Office explained. Public transport strikes were expected to hit Lisbon for a second day Friday after stoppages Thursday disrupted subway, bus and streetcar service during rush hour. The transport unions are protesting government wage proposals. A power failure cut off electricity Thursday throughout Manila and surrounding provinces, anarling traffic, trapping people in elevators and H H H shutting down air conditioners. (AP) China will not switch to daylight time this year partly because it interferes with rail schedules, Xinhua said Thursday. The change was due to take place April 12. (Reuters)

The European Community is sponsoring talks between the rival communities in Bosnia, but it is also under pressure to grant diplomatic recognition to the republic after a two-thirds vote in favor of separation from Yugoslavia.

Mr. Karadzic, a critic of EC intervention and a close ally of Serbiz's leader, Slobodan Milosevic, said: Thank God we have not had civil war in Bosnia. But we are on the brink of civil war and if the EC continues to push things, no one can stop civil war here."

Mr. Vance said he would meet Mr. Karadzic "and I will hear what he has to say." "I will urge him, as I will all the heads of the three

ethnic communities, to exercise restraint and see that this doesn't break out into open conflict," he said. Mr. Vance added that the United Nations would have its 14,000-strong peacekeeping force fully de-ployed in Yugoslavia and Croatia by nud-April.

"We can ignore the suggestions that in some way Bosnian radio reported an explosion tore about 2.4 we're not going to go forward," he said. The status of the Serb-dominated federal army is a that links central Bosnia to the Adriatic coast. No crucial factor in Bosnia, where tens of thousands of casualties were reported, but all traffic was halted.

soldiers are stationed. Under a recently approved UN peace plan for Yngoslavia, all federal forces are to withdraw from

Croatia, where a cease-fire holds. They have already left Slovenia and Macedonia. Of the six Yugoslav republics, only long-dominant

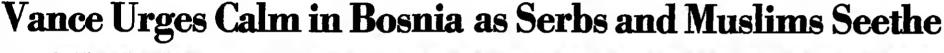
Serbia and tiny Montenegro now want to remain part of the Yugoslav federation, Bosnia, a mountainous republic that is one-third Serb, lies between Croatia and Serbia.

Two people were reported killed in overnight attacks in Croatia, where Serb forces, who oppose inde-pendence and who relied on the battlefield support of ings, were organized throughout the republic. the federal army, have seized a third of the republic.

Bosnian policemen joined with the federal army in patrols to keep the peace in Sarajevo after violence killed at least eight people during the weekend inde-pendence vote and ensuing Serb protests. Muslims and Croats approved the referendum, but most Serbs boycotted the vote.

In contrast to the violence, partisans of peace gath-ered in Bosnia on Thursday. In Sarajevo, 25,000 peo-ple of all ethnic backgrounds gathered at a sundrenched peace rally in front of the regional parliame

Similar rallies, with rock groups and poetry read-(Reuters, AP, AFP)



SARAJEVO, Yugoslavia — The United Nations envoy to Yugoslavia, Cyrus R. Vance, urged leaders of Bosnia's rival ethnic communities on Thursday to show restraint and avert the threat of open conflict in the republic.

Mr. Vance spoke as Serbs in Bosnia-Herzegovina. urged the federal army to take control of the republic, where an independence referendum approved by Muslims and Croats has touched off ethnic clashes.

Serbs, who account for a third of Bosnia's 4.3 million population but claim two-thirds of its territory, boycotted the referendum.

A Serb politician, Radovan Karadzic, warned shortly before Mr. Vance arrived here that policies pursued by Bosnia's Muslim president, Alija Izetbegovic, and the European Community were "leading to uncon-trolled processes which are unpredictable."

### well enough to be transported, Ger-many said it expected Chile to com-ply with international law and cease preventing him from stand-tacked Chancellor Heimut Kohl Erich Honecker strolling with his wife, Margot, at the Chilean Embassy in Moscow. ing trial for the deaths of more than and Foreign Minister Hans-Die-

### **Bonn Toughens on Honecker** Stern Diplomatic Notes Are Delivered to Chile and Russia

By Marc Fisher

Washington Post Service BERLIN — Outraged by news that Erich Honecker faked cancer in an effort to avoid trial for manslaughter, Germany launched a major diplomatic offensive on Thursday to get the former East German Communist leader out of the Chilean Embassy in Moscow and into a Berlin prison. German ambassadors delivered seriously, even fatally, ill.

messages in unusually unfriendly language informing Chile and Russia that Bonn wants Mr. Honecker, 79, delivered to German prosecu-

tors immediately. He has been holed up inside the Chilean Embassy in Moscow since December, when the collapse of the Soviet Union removed his protection from German authorities. Bonn told Russia on Thursday that unification.

200 East Germans killed trying to trich Genscher for not being agcross into the west. gressive enough.

promise you today that you will get him back," Deputy Russian Prime Minister Mikhail Poltoranin told a

German newspaper. But a Russian Foreign Ministry spokesman said that "we are waiting for a solution to be found by the two sides, Chile and Germany.

ance Thursday evening that it was up to Russia, not Chile, to deal with Mr. Honecker. It was 'not a Chil-ean, but a Russian plane that brought Honecker to Russia," said the ambassador, Carlos Hunceus.

Among Eastern Germans, however, about half of those surveyed still wanted him returned to Germany.

deutsche Zeitung found last week that 57 percent of Germans no longer thought Mr. Honecker should be forced to stand trial.

The new push from Bonn - a

Mithail S. Gorbachev had gnaran-it should — as Russian President teed his former ally's safety when Bools N. Yeltsin has promised — move to end Mr. Honecker's "ille-gal departure from Germany."

### Saying there was "no doubt" sharp contrast from Germany's that Mr. Honecker was physically previous statements that it did not well enough to be transported, Ger-wish to force transport of a man at

Germany "is astounded and shocked by the Chilean govern-Conflicting signals emerged from Moscow on Thursday. "I can ment's attitude," the demarche

Chile has said it allowed Mr. Honecker to stay at its embassy on

humanitatian grounds. Chilean of-ficials have repeatedly said in re-cent months that Mr. Honecker is

Mr. Honecker's wife, Margot, even said last week that he had "Russia's position has not changed," the spokesman said. The Chilean ambassador to Gerselected the music for his funeral;

"Small Trumpeter," a song that tells the tale of a Communist street many said in a television appear-

fighter. But Russian physicians

who examined him in the last week said they found no sign of illness. In less stern but still clear terms,

### many has dissipated. A poll by the Munich-based newspaper Sud-

The Honecker story has dragged on for so long that much of the initial rage directed at him in Ger-

FSO, capping 18 months of talks. It had previ-ously invested \$200 million in an automobile factory in Hungary.

Ahlstrom Pyro Power, a Finnish maker of highly efficient power plant boilers, has dog-godly pursued the acquisition of a Polish com-pany through three changes of government. Volkswagen has bought Czechoslovakia's Skoda car works.

Each country has approached privatization differently.

Hungary is the most laissez-faire, while Czechoslovakia and Poland require approval of foreign agreements from their central governments.

Czechoslovakia has been the most enthusias tic in its embrace of so-called coupon privatization, in which shares are sold at low cost to the public. Poland has tried hardest to maintain control over an inherently chaotic process.

Hungary, the smallest country, with 10 miltion people, began its economic changes even before the Communists were removed and has thus far outperformed its neighbors, amassing more than \$2.3 billion in foreign investment.

Czechoslovakia, a country of 15 million, has gained nearly \$800 million in the same period, mostly concentrated in a few large deals. These amounts are still quite small compared with what experts say is required to turn Communist dross into good capitalist profit-maximizers.

By comparison, the former East Germany, long considered the best organized of the East European economies, has received an estimated \$100 billion in public and private investment from Germany since the Berlin Wall came down, and it is still in a deep recession.

The overall shortage of foreign capital hasfocused attention on various experimental

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on a largely unregulated version of such a program, while Poland is preparing a more modest, government-supervised effort that will cover about 12 percent of the industrial base.

In Poland, and to a large extent in Czechoslovakia, the shares will be controlled by mutual funds set up to oversee the new enterprises. Economic planners admit that this amounts

to a leap in the dark: No one can confidently predict whether the fund managers will have the skills or courage to reorganize the state companies they are buying.

Andrzej Rapaczynski, an economist who strongly favors the widespread distribution of shares, argues that Poland has eared by limiting the mass privatization to 400 companies. He says the Polish government is playing too prominent a role in the creation of the investment funds.

"The Czechoslovak program will produce a lot of abuses that are avoidable," he said. "But it will be more of a success-in the long run."

At the moment, Poland is being particularly bashed for discouraging foreign investment. In interviews, economists, Polish officials and Western investors agreed that the country faced complex problems.

Decisions about privatization were divided among too many different entities and govern-ment agencies, they said, adding that some incrative deals had perished because of govern-

ment lapses. Polish laws reflect ambivalent feelings about allowing too much control to foreigners, particularly Germans. Any foreigner's purchase of land, for example, must be approved by the Interior Ministry, and the rules make it virtually impossible to buy a company without ap-

sure to make sure it gets a fair price for its state-

rum industries. Since the beginning of 1990, Poland has privatized nearly all of its retail trade and about 10 percent of its state-run industrial companies, most through a process called privatization through liquidation, in which investors buy parts of failed firms.

Polish officials say they have worked to prevent investors from "eating the raisins in the cake" - or buying only profitable parts of companies. Such practices are permitted else-where, particularly in Hungary, where private companies have been set up on the same

grounds as collapsing state enterprises. Finally, Poland's privatization efforts face a unique situation. Alone among Eastern Europe's revolutions, Poland's transformation Nagorno-Karabakh. was brought about by the industrial working class that belonged to the Solidarity union.

In state-run industries, workers still have employees councils with the right to hire and dismiss managers and approve privatization deals.

The government could unilaterally dissolve employees councils, and some Western economists are urging just that. Political leaders insist that such a move is not

sustainable at a time of popular uncasiness over Poland's economic program.

#### Quake in Southwest Iran Kills 6

Agence France-Presse TEHRAN — Six people were killed and at least 50 were injured when an earthquake mea-suring 4.9 on the Richter scale struck the Lordgan region of southwestern Iran.

# INVEST: Dreams of Gold in East European Hills Dry Up for Westerners (Continued from page 1). venture agreement with the Polish company FSO, canning 18 months of talks. It had previ-

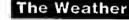
Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches menians in Nagorno-Karabakh BAKU, Azerbaijan - Thou- have been defending themselves sands of Azerbaijanis massed out- from Azerbaijani aggression. side parliament Thursday to de-mand the resignation of President Ayaz N. Mutahbov, accasing him of having failed to halt American Inside the enclave, the two sides traded attacks on each other's vil-

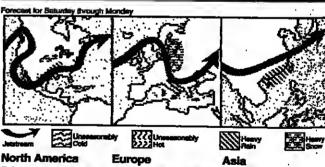
Officials in Yerevan, the Armenian capital, said that Azerbaijani troops had killed 10 people and guerrilla attacks in the ethnic war between the two former Soviet rewounded 13 in an attack on the village of Kazandi. They said Azer-As deputies arrived for an emergency session, about 5,000 demon-strators chanting, "Resign! Re-sign!" charged that Mr. Mutalibov baijani forces, backed by helicopters and rocket launchers, were fighting Armenian units around the village of Kichan. had done too little to defend his

According to the independent Azerbaijani news agency Assa-Irada, at least 7 Azerbaijani people in the disputed region of "We are demanding the resignation of the president so that the guardsmen were killed and 15 hurt Karabakh problem can be solved," in an attack on the village of Sykhasaid Tahir Keremly, a spokesman vent. The attack was beaten back, it for an organization of opposition reported.

As the fighting flared, forces of the former Soviet Army continued their withdrawal from the enclave. The news agency Interfax report-ed that Armenian forces had taken over a former army base and were trying to impede the withdrawal by setting up roadblocks.

Interfax reported that the armed groups in the region had intensified their efforts to capture weapons from the withdrawing army troops, but that the efforts had been "stilatest in a string of military set-backs for the Azerbaijanis. Azerbaijan says more than 1,000 people were killed in the attack. fled."





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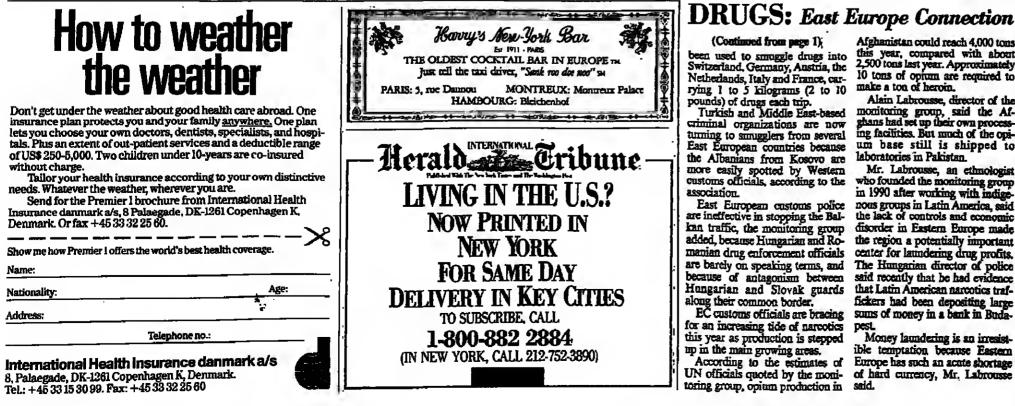
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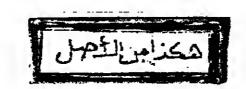
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Afghanistan could reach 4,000 tons this year, compared with about 2,500 tons last year. Approximately 10 tons of optum are required to make a ton of heroin.

Alain Labrousse, director of the monitoring group, said the Af-ghans had set up their own process-ing facilities. But much of the opium base still is shipped to laboratories in Pakistan.

Mr. Labrousse, an ethnologist who founded the monitoring group in 1990 after working with indige-

that Latin American narcotics trafalong their common border. fickers had been depositing large

this year as production is stepped up in the main growing areas. According to the estimates of Europe has such an acute shortage

toring group, opium production in said.

pounds) of drugs each trip. Turkish and Middle East-based criminal organizations are now turning to smugglers from several East European countries because the Albanians from Kosovo are more easily spotted by Western customs officials, according to the

East European customs police nous groups in Latin America, said are ineffective in stopping the Bal-lan traffic, the monitoring group added, because Hungarian and Ro-the region a potentially important manian drug enforcement officials center for laundering drug profits. are barely on speaking terms, and The Hungarian director of police because of antagonism between said recently that be had evidence Hungarian and Slovak guards

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groups. The protesters were reacting to a fresh wave of fighting in the disput-ed enclave, where more than 1,500 people have been killed since 1988. The region is populated mostly by Armenians but was transferred to Azerbaijani control in 1923. Last week, Armenian guerrillas seized the town of Khojaly, the

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(Renters, AFP)

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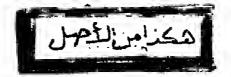
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By David Maraniss

Washington Post Service LAS VEGAS — Edmund G. (Jerry)

Brown Jr. found himself trapped in a room

the size of a ticket booth with a posse of

political scribes whose editors had sudden-

ly decided that his presidential campaign

merited more than a passing nod. It was all

rather new to Mr. Brown in his 1992 incar-

nation. The night before, the self-styled

"senior insurgent" had won the Colorado

Before ending the news conference by

noting that it had "sunk into journalistic

atrophy," Mr. Brown, the former governor of California, relished the opportunity of teasing his newfound chroniclers. He no-

ticed, he said, that CNN had moved him up from a "nuisance" to a "wild card" in the

Democratic presidential nominating race.

And he said his campaign had a new motto, which he recited in Lain.

"To the stars, through the thorns."

"Ad astra per aspera!" Mr. Brown said.

Sounds a little moonbeamish to me."

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contributors to whom he can return again and again. "All he's got to do is put on a carnival sideshow and bark at George Bush," said a dismayed seninr Bush administration official.

But the issue for Mr. Buchanan, say politicians in

"Does he want to have a role in this party?" asked

both parties, will come down to what he really wants

Linda DiVall, a Republican poll-taker. "Does be want

to be remembered in 1996 as someone who brought a

president down, or as someone who did a service for

Ms. DiVall argued that even though Mr. Buchanan

"If he's to stay in," said Paul Goldman, the Virginia

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that "the Democrats are at a cross-The structure of Mr. Clinton's roads," said Alan Secrest, a Demovote should provide him a strong base in the heavily black and rural cratic pollster. "Do you buy into a Paul Tsongas argument for longwhite Southern primaries that will term structural change, recognizing dominate "Super Tuesday" next that Santa Claus is not coming, or week, when 11 states hold contests. hold to the more populist approach of Bill Clinton?" he asked, In Maryland and Georgia, where primaries were held Tuesday, Mr. Clinton's margins steadily grew in inverse proportion to income and

"There is a very distinct pattern here," said Geoff Garin, another Democratic poll-taker. "It is one of education. the reasons that there is no consis-In Georgia, the pattern was most

striking: Among those voters with-"There are real differences in out high school diplomas, Mr. Clinton beat Mr. Tsongas 80 percent to 13 percent, but among those with postgraduate degrees, Mr. Tsongas wor 44 percent to 34 percent. Mr. terms of who the candidates appeal to," Mr. Gatin said. "Clinton is emerging with much more of a tra--more blue collar, less well edu-cated, more solidly Democratic - than \$15,000 a year by a margin of which will hold primaries March

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In part because of these income patterns, Mr. Tsongas did strikingly better among voters who consider their nwn financial situation better than it was four years ago, while Mr. Clinton's strength is among those who think they are in worse shape now.

Among the most loyal group of Democratio voters - blacks - Mr. Clinton beat Mr. Tsongas 70 percent to 14 percent in Georgia, and

of an upscale, better-educated vot-er." Tsongas won those making over \$75,000 by 43 percent to 37 per-Clinton campaign, which is prem-contest.

ised in part nn the theory that he In order to win Southern states could win Southern states in the in November, Mr. Clinton will general election, is that overall have to get a substantial amount of turnout in the Georgia primary de-clined from abont 622,000 in 1988 the Democratic primary to attract to 449,000 Tuesday. white voters is not a good sign.

Turnout in the Republican primary almost matched that of the

Democrats, with 445,000. Because very few blacks participate in the Republican primary, this means that for the first time in the South, more whites voted in the Republican primary than in the Democratic contest, according to Earl Black, a political scientist at the University of South Carolina.

ries with him, although he detests it. It is a presented himself as the candidate not only reference to his sometimes mystical, other-of the environment but also of organized labor

Jerry Brown's Reincarnation: No More Mr. Moonbeam?

This is supposed to be one of those mad-"Oh," Mr. Brown snapped at the reportas-hell campaigns, this grass-roots, \$100 er, his dark eyes suddenly losing their twinkle. "Do you think the Roman Empire that ruled the Western world for 400 years was maximum contribution, minimally televised effort of Jerry Brown's. But the candidate Wednesday seemed almost giddy, moonbeam? The finest military of all time especially when people yelled out to him, "Keep stickin' it to 'em!" was moonbeam? Foreign languages are not

The mood of the day was set by one of Then Mr. Brown smiled and gladly the first potential voters Mr. Brown en-countered when be emerged from morning interviews on NBC and ABC. It was Frank helped the curious assemblage with the elling of his proud new motto, which he shares with the state of Kansas. "That's a-Koempel, a bartender on strike.

Jerry Brown at large in Vegas on the morning after Colorado was quite a sight "Welcome to the land of reality," Mr. Koempel said to the bewildered Mr. Brown.

"This is reality?" Mr. Brown asked. He called himself "Mr. Anti-tax." He "Yeah, I guess this is reality compared to the Gong Show of American politics." walked a picket line with striking bartenders and wnitresses. He snapped up \$100

Mr. Brown moved through Las Vegas on checks on the run from adoring women Wednesday without a printed schedule, who shouted back to him, "Don't forget to without any means of transporting a travel-- a reference to the heretofore defining mark ing press corps, without Secret Service, of his campaign, his toll-free telephone without any fund-raising parties to attend, number. He chatted on his cellular phone without a coterie of handlers beyond his with the Reverend Jesse L. Jackson. He press secretary, Ileana Wachtel, and his "Sounds a little moonbeamish to me," of his campaign, his toll-free telephone said one television reporter, referring to the number. He chatted on his cellular phone

dressed-in-black, French-born, beret-wearing aide-de-camp, Jacques Barzaghi But that is what gives Jerry Brown his day, Mr. Segerblom said. appeal this year - the simplicity of his Mr. Brown has surprised political handimode and his message. cappers by carefully picking his spots -

first Maine, then Colorado, now Nevada. "I've never felt this way before," Mr. He is just reaching the point where success Brown said. "There is a simplicity, an inand opportunity are converging to make tegrity, a wholeness. This is the strongest message I've ever had. It makes sense. No his race more complicated. doublespeak."

If the field narrows, Mr. Brown said, he might become the choice of organized la-bor and carry the labor banner in the If Jerry Brown were president, be says, this is how America would be: Everyone would pay the same flat income tax of 13 industrialized states of Illinois and Michigan. "It might happen," he said, noting that in some ways the race is developing percent. The military budget would be cut in half over five years. The country would much as it did in 1976, when he first ran for be lined with high-speed trains and fiberoptic telephone systems. Companies would not be allowed to hire permanent replace-ments for strikers. Nuclear power would be president in the late primaries against Jiminv Carter. "In 1976, 1 went around Maryland say-

banned. The space program would get more funding. All students could get schol-arships. Financial power brokers would be taken out of the political system. ing, 'I'm no Santa Claus.' I sounded a Int like Tsongas does today." Paul E. Tsongas is a former Massachusetts senator and is also a condidate for the Democratic presi-Richard Segerblom, the Nevada Demo-cratic Party chairman, said Mr. Brown had

dential nomination. "T've got the feel of '76," Mr. Brown impressed people in Las Vegas "long be-fore you folks in the press realized he said. "That same surge. But now I'm the senior insurgent."

BUCHANAN: For Bush, the Insurgent Is Too Much state of the economy and Mr. Bush than a demand for "The message here is not that people want to sup-port Pat Buchanan," she said. "When you look at the exit polls, be's getting almost the same support from liberals, moderates and conservatives. What people are demanding of President Bush is leadership and a sense of what direction be's going to take his "Vnters don't want to keep hearing, 'I got your message.' " she added. "They want to hear what the president is going to do." There is, however, a problem for the conservative wing, which has also been forced to make some tough choices. Many conservatives are unhappy with Mr. Bush -especially on tax and budget issues - but find Mr. Buchanan's stands on race, foreign policy and In the absence of a challenge to the president from more mainstream figures, such as Jack F. Kemp, secretary of housing and urban development, or Wil-

liam J. Bennett, the former education secretary, these conservatives feel bound to support Mr. Bush, in part to make sure that Mr. Buchanan does not eclipse their preferred candidates for 1996. But they are not entirey happy about doing so. The Bush forces are comforting themselves with the thought that Mr. Buchanan will have to go away

someday.

Praise, of Sorts, From a Gulf War Hero

General Schwarzkopf, left, and President Bush during a fund-raising huncheon in Tampa, Florida.

Schwarzkopf to his side, But it turned oot that the hero of Desert Storm came to praise Mr. Bush, not to endorse him, exactly.

New York Times Service cheon at a Tampa hotel, one of two such events on MIAMI — Hoping to bolster his standing in the Wednesday at which Mr. Bush raised \$1.3 million, the South after Patrick J. Buchanan stung him in Georgia, retired general portrayed the president as a coura-President George Bush drew General Norman H. geous commander who withstood political pressure and did "the right thing" against Iraq.

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But it turned oot that the hero of Desert Storm came praise Mr. Bush, not to endorse him, exactly. Introducing the president at a fund-raising hun-



Mr. Buchanan is not the only person facing hard choices. The Bush campaign has so far interpreted the Buchanan challenge largely in ideological terms and has sought to appease the Republican right. Ms. DiVall, however, argues that the administration may be partly misreading the Buchanan challenge. It is the same more of a mergenlined actors tension the Ist Kids/The Associated Press Mr. Brown, in Arizona, making another speech for the nomination. is, she says, more of a generalized protest against the DEMOCRATS: Demographics Show Neither Front-Runner Has All Ingredients to Win

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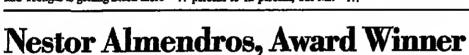
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#### Kerrey Pulls Out, **Citing Shortage of Campaign Funds**

WASHINGTON — Senatur Bob Kerrey of Nebraska dropped ont of the Democratic presidential race Thursday after a string of setbacks, telling a roomful of cheering supporters and Senate colleagues that his campaign "ran out of gas." In a wistful news conference, Mr. Kerrey said he was ending his candidacy "with regret but with great

mentary films, died of heart failure "This is no retreat and this is no Wednesday in Armonk, New York. surrender," he said. "We have plen-Mr. Lorentz won attention in 1936 with "The Plow That Broke ty of potential and energy but no money

His announcement left four major contenders in the Democratic race: Governor Bill Clinton of Arkansas, former Senator Paul E. Tsongas of Massachusetts, Senator Tom Harkin of Iowa and former Governor Edmund G. (Jerry)

Brown of California. Mr. Kerrey endorsed none of them, but said he would support

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He was ranked with Sven Nykvist, Ingmar Bergman's frequent collaborator, as one of the world's top cinematographers. It was not until 1979, however,

By William H. Honan

New York Times Service

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NEW YORK - Nestor Almen-

that Mr. Almendros was widely recognized. That year be won an Academy Award for cinematography for "Days of Heaven." He was nominated again the

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CARACAS - The 2,000 soldiers involved in a failed Venezuelan coup in February will not be tried since they were apparently duped into joining the revolt, ac-cording to a Defense Ministry spokesman "We can practically say now that

there will not be a trial for the soldiers," said the spokesman, Admiral Rafael Huizi Clavier. He said that most of the soldiers were returned to active duty with their units, but that some who were to finish their military draft service in April were given early honorable discharges.



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### In Turkey, a Stunned Mining Town Struggles to Accept Yet Another Lost Gamble

#### By Alan Cowell New York Times Service

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KOZLU, Turkey --- Without hope for miracles or survivors, the men gathered and talked Thursday on the black mud below the stilled equipment that has become an iron tombstone for the lost - burned and buried far underground in Turkey's worst mine disaster.

"Perhaps," one man said to another, "God is great and there will be a voice calling for help from somewhere down there."

"No," said the other man, who had come to search for a brother and a brother-in-law, and had not found either. "All we will find is the bodies. That is all."

"And the bodies will be in a thousand pieces," another man said, contributing to the murmurs that sometimes rose to crescendos of anger and pain as the crowds of surviving miners milled from place to place, drawing no

Thus, without faith in benevolence and with a stoic resignation to loss, this grimy Black Sea town came to terms with the Tuesday night disaster, which some said shook the place like an earthquake and underscored the miners' inwritten gamble with their fate: the risk of death against \$500 or \$600 a month in pay, and rejoicing that they have a job at all.

It was mid-evening Tuesday, mine officials said, when a sudden pocket of methane gas exploded far below ground in the Kozh coal, set in a valley where the town's own coal, spreads a patina of pollution on everything. The Black Sea is just a few hundred meters away and the mine shafts run beneath it. Even the beach here is black.

When he came off his shift at 4 P.M. Tuesday, said Temel Emral, 35, an electrical engi-neer, he crossed paths with a friend and col-

"We talked," he said. "It was a normal enough thing to do. I wished him well with his work." The next time he saw his friend was in a pinewood coffin, draped with Turkey's red and white flag, at the Aziziye mosque, where prayers were said before burial. Two other coffins, similarly draped, stood beside it.

Men wept. Mr. Nasman's 11-year-old son, Ufuk, stood by the coffin holding a framed photograph of his dead father to his chest so that his tears ran onto it. Women mourned more privately in small homes, reflecting the traditional separation between men and women in this mostly Muslim nation. "It is better that they should not be here for this," Mr. Emral said. "It is too painful."

Nursed by relatives, and sobbing, a young widow who identified herself only as Necla

By Thursday, 122 bodies had been recovered, but roughly 150 more were thought by union and mine officials to be still underground, where new fires broke out, halting the effort to retrieve the bodies.

"We have withdrawn rescue teams who were working 425 meters underground and efforts to cut off air temporarily to put out the fire to will start shortly," State Minister Omer Barutcu said

Relatives and friends, then, were moved away from the minchead because, the police said, the risk of further explosions imperiled the town of 66,000. A huge ventilation shaft beiched white smoke from the underground blaze that, officials said, could ignite the coal

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far-rightist party that has called for the expulsion of Third World im-

migrants. The debate is timely because

April 24 marks the 200th anniver-

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Clande-Joseph Rouget de Lisie wrote the music and lyrics of what

he first called "The War Hymn of

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French troops under siege by Prus-

It immediately caught on and

was given its present name after

soldiers from Marseille sang it on their march to Paris three months

later. In 1795, it was adopted as the

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solace from the closed metal gates of the shaft, which delivered no signs of life. Learn the night shift. Learn the night shift. Learn the night shift. Said: "He has gone. He will not return. There is nothing now." said Mr. Emral. "Every time we go down we not in this not return. There is nothing now." town, though, this is the only job and it's good money.

"People will pay and bube to get jobs here because they need work," said Ali Ozer, an engineer, despite the mine's record. On four occasions since 1947, methane gas explosions have rocked the Incirharmani mine, the scene of the newest disaster.

Of 19 previous pit disasters over the past 50 years, 17 have happened at the tired and heavily subsidized state-run workings here in the Zon-guldak Basin along the Black Sea, where coal provides virtually all the jobs in the mines, the railyards and the small port. Those disasters have killed 525 miners, which makes Turkey's record among the world's worst, and which produces memories that drew bitter accusations on Thursday.

The Associated Press

Jan Olszewski's government, legislators on Thursday rejected a new economic plan intended to ease the

The Seim, or lower chamber of parliament, voted by

Mr. Olszewski left the chamber immediately after

the vote, refusing to comment to reporters. A govern-

ment spokesman had said earlier that the government

might quit if the plan was rejected. Mr. Olszewski's cabinet, which took office Dec. 23,

The two-year-old "shock therapy," designed to

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**New Polish Economic Plan Rejected** 

"There has been a mistake," said the leader of the miners union, Semsi Denizer, disputing the official version that the methane gas build-in was simply too quick to trigger sophisticated alarm devices in time. "Otherwise the explosion . would not have happened."

But Ozer Olcer, head of the state-run coal company, called the disaster "an extraordinary accident."

Among the miners, there were other somber and unverifiable mutterings: The mine bosses knew the danger but did nothing; the men had not been taught to use the sophisticated Japanese detection devices; the search had been abandoned prematurely and the bodies would never be found. That, at least, was denied.

"No bodies will stay underground," said State Minister Barutcu. "Rescue efforts will end in the coming days. We will reach all the missing miners."

### Peace Talks Recess, **Muddled** as Ever

By Thomas L. Friedman New York Thmes Service

WASHINGTON - Israelis and Arabs have ended their third round of peace talks as divided on substance as they were when they began four months ago, and unable to agree on where and when to meet

Secretary of State James A. Baker 3d summoned each of the parties for talks in his office to urge them to resolve their differences over a site so that at least one more round of negotiations can be held in April, before Israeli national elections on June 23 put the process on hold.

After an Israeli election, it usually takes two months to put together a government, and with September taken up with Jewish holidays, the negotiations could be suspended until October.

Since that would be on the eve of the American elections, serious give and take between the parties might not be possible again before November or December.

Adding to the volatility of the situation is the fact that efforts to work out a compromise between Israel and the Bush administration over the Israeli request for \$10 billion in housing loan guarantees appear to be foundering.

The compromise favored by the administration and now under consideration in Congress calls for the guarantees to be written into this year's foreign-aid bill but not deliv-

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ered until the administration negotiates conditions with the Israeli government. The administration is insisting on a freeze on Israeli settlements as a condition for the guarantees. On the peace negotiations, the

question being asked by American officials and the parties to the talks is whether the meager achieve-ments so far will be enough to sus-tain the talks, especially if violence breaks out.

The state of affairs at the close of this third round of negotiations was best summed up by a Jordanian spokesman, Narwan Mouasher, who said, "I guess it's safe to say that expectations for some progress to take place in this round have been met with disappointment." Mr. Mouasher said that "pro-

found disagreements occur and exist over the principles that underlie the whole peace process." Those differences fall into two

broad categories. Between Israel and Syria and Israel and Jordan, the argument is over the meaning of Security Council Resolution

The Arabs argue that the resolution, passed by the council after the 1967 Mideast war, enjoins Israel to withdraw from the territories occupied during the fighting — the West Bank, Gaza Strip and East Jerusalem — just as it did from Sinai, which was returned to Egypt. That would be exchanging land for peace

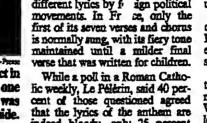
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indeed bloody, only 25 percent wanted a constitutional amend-

ment to approve a new text. Michel Tournier, a writer, concoded that "the Marseillaise is ridiculous, but we should leave it alone because, like old furniture, it tains in value over the years."

**IRAQ:** Baghdad Condemned by UN for Rights Abuses

British officials said an American proposal to seize a portion of Baghdad's assets was among "sev-

en or eight" measures under consideration at the United Nations. Western diplomats said no action was contemplated until after a meeting of the Security Council on Wednesday at which a delegation led by Deputy Prime Minister

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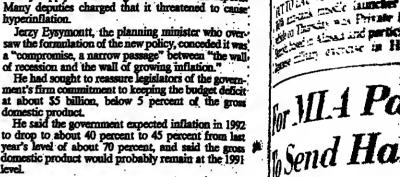
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The new government's plan called for increased government spending and gradual expansion of the money supply to encourage investment and exports. Many deputies charged that it threatened to cause hyperinflation.

Jerzy Eysymontt, the planning minister who over-saw the formulation of the new policy, conceded it was a "compromise, a narrow passage" between "the wall,

ment's firm commitment to keeping the budget deficit at about \$5 billion, below 5 percent of the gross domestic product.

had pledged to review the economic policies initiated in January 1990, which were held responsible for flattening state industries and causing 11 percent He said the government expected inflation in 1992. to drop to about 40 percent to 45 percent from last year's level of about 70 percent, and said the gross domestic product would probably remain at the 1991 transform the communist centrally planned economy into a Western market system, is among the most level.



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quoting industry sources. "Iraq is under embargo, not in quarantine," Elf Aquitaine's chair-man, Lolk Le Floch-Prigent, said Thursday, justifying visits to Baghdad by company executives over recent months.

Confirmation of the contacts followed revelation Wednesday by the

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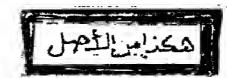
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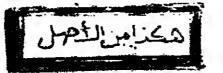
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ed to have begun moving heavy guns and more than 1,000 troops to Kompong Thom

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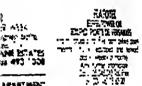
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vehicle on Thursday was Private First Class Fred Wilson of Detroit, based in Alaska and participating in a combined U.S.-Japanese military exercise in Hokkaido, northern Japan.

### For MIA Pact, U.S. **To Send Hanoi Aid**

New York Times Service ly after the November presidential BANGKOK — The United States said Thursday that it had agreed to provide millions of dolelection

Mr. Solomon quashed that speculation, saying at a news confer-ence Thursday that the United lars a year in new humanitarian aid to Hanoi in exchange for addition-States did not envisage the resumpal Vietnamese cooperation in retion of full diplomatic relations solving the fate of Americans misswith Victnam until the spring of 1993, when free elections are ex-At the same time, the United pected in neighboring Cambodia. States said it was still not prepared to lift a 17-year-old trade embargo The United States is trying to keep Vietnam from meddling in the that has crippled the Vietnamese economy and angered American elections or in other elements of the

UN-brokered peace process in investors wishing to do business Cambodia. Mr. Solomon's Vietnamese The aid package was announced in Hanoi by Richard H. Solomon, counterpart in this week's talks,

Deputy Foreign Minister Le Mai, was quoted as saying at the same Hanoi news conference that although the talks had been constructive, the trade embargo was a "hos-tile policy" against Victnam. "We think the trade embargo is

would provide Vietnam with at least \$3 million a year in U.S. assisan abnormal thing in relations between nations," he said.

Diplomats said that under the Thursday agreement, millions of dollars in American aid will be channeled to a variety of educational and medical programs in

Victnam. In return, they said, the Vict-namese government has agreed to allow U.S. investigators to travel on short notice to areas of Victoria where there are reported sightings

### **Cambodian Chaos: Too Much for the UN Peacekeepers?**

By Philip Shenon New York Times Service

PHNOM PENH - Throughout this shattered and still heavily land mined nation, many Cambodians agree that only the swiftest arrival of United Nations peacekeepers can reverse a slide into anarchy, and some even wonder whether the force of 22,000 will prove large enough for the task. In authorizing the deployment, the United Nations has approved one of the largest and most expensive peacekeeping opera-tions in its history, with the assembly, transport and maintenance of soldiers and

civilian monitors expected to cost more than \$2 billion. But four months after Cambodia's warring factions signed a peace treaty and paved the way for UN involvement, the problems are so vast and so varied that they are certain to severely challenge the

international force. Racked by fends and corruption, the government in Phnom Penh has stopped Southeast Asia providing the countryside with even basic services like medical care, education and sanitation.

fall, and some soldiers have turned to banditry to support themselves and their fam-

ilies. "This is supposed to be a time of peace and rebuilding, but I am forced instead to worry about how I will support my family and keep them safe," said a 28-year-old government cierk in the western city of Sisophon, who last received his salary, equivalent to \$12 a month, in November.

#### Refagees to Return

Such problems, widespread as they are, are most likely to be compounded as the 370,000 Cambodian refugees begin returning from border camps in Thailand where many have lived for a dozen years or more. For some, the trek home will run peril-

ously close to undiscovered mines planted on paths and rice paddies. Diplomats and international relief work-

ers say that this sense of disorder, which increases exponentially the farther one travels from the capital, could provide op- and began its reign of genocidal terror.

portunities for the Khmer Ronge, the fa-natical Chinese backed guerrillas who were responsible for the deaths of up to two million Cambodians in the 1970s.

Despite its ugly past, the Khmer Rouge signed the peace treaty and are part of the transitional coalition, the Supreme National Council, which is supposed to work with

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the incumbent Pinom Penh government to run Cambodia until elections are held.

But the Khmer Rouge, its adversaries say, is waiting patiently for a second chance for power - perhaps through the

ballot box, perhaps on the battlefield. In Phnom Penh, neighborhoods that were little more than rubble a year ago are being reborn as Cambodians and foreign investors gamble that peace will take root and with it will come the kind of profits that have been accumulated elsewhere in

#### \$300-a-Month Fortune

The boom has trickled down to people Moreover, tens of thousands of govern-ment workers have not been paid since last drives a bicycle rickshaw and sometimes works as a cook.

He has rented his three-room home to a group of Thai investors while moving his family into a shack on the outskirts of the city. The rent he gets for his home, the equivalent of about \$300 a month, is a fortune in a nation where per capita in-come is less than \$200 a year.

"I am lucky," said Pung Sikhoeur. "It is craziness for foreigners to pay so much money. But I am happy to take their mon-ey. If the United Nations comes and takes over, maybe the peace will last, and I can become truly rich."

Cambodia has has not known real peace since the 1960s. In 1969, at the height of the Vietnam War, the United States began the unde-clared bombing of suspected North Viet-namese army bases in castern Cambodia.

The bombing lasted four years. In 1975, the Khmer Rouge overran the U.S.-supported Phnom Penh government

Four years later the Vietnamese army ousted the Khmer Rouge regime, forcing its leaders back into the jungle, where they regrouped as rebels.

The civil war that followed lasted nearly 13 years.

Phnom Penh, which the Khmer Rouge turned into a ghost town by forcing its residents out at gunpoint in 1975, is now suffused with a dreamlike atmosphere where the hopes and prospects for instant wealth intermingle with looming portents of more tragedy and disaster.

The city today has at least 800,000 residents, up from about 50,000 when the Khmer Rouge were overthrown in 1979, but still less than half its 1975 population of 2 million.

In the capital, Mercedes-Benz sedans regularly cruise along the potholed streets. It is seldom clear who is behind the heavily tinted windows but many of the pedestrians and bicycle riders assume they are newly affluent government officials.

#### An Impulse to Gamble

In December, riots empted when it became known that corrupt officials had sold off government buildings and businesses and pocketed the proceeds. As many as a dozen people were killed before the noting was put down by the security forces. The city's only huxury hotel is filled with Asian business executives, many of whom admit that they are driven more by the impulse of gambling than by the calculation of investment.

Though more luxury hotels are being built and a newly opened meeting spot for the clite, the Cafe No Problem, provides snacks of French cheeses and pates, the uncase and resentment that flared into riots is not hard to find.

"All 1 can do is beg," said 22-year-old Tep Samoun, who stops pedestrians along Achar Mean Boulevard, the busy central thoroughfare, to plead for pennies. "There is nothing else I can offer."

He came to the capital from Kompong Cham Province, north of the city, after losing his left leg in 1988 in a land-mine 

In the belief that his handicap would

prevent him from ever being useful on his be ready to pounce if the war resumes." family's small farm, he sought work here but like many of the dozens of other beggars along Achar Mean, he found none.

He and his wife sleep on a sidewalk near the railroad station, under a bamboo sheet to guard against the heat and rain. "It is not a good life but I can survive,"

he said, noting that his income from beg-ging, the equivalent of about \$1.50 a day, has risen since last October, when the Cambodian peace treaty was signed. "People in Phnom Penh have more money now to share with us. There are rich people

In Takeo Province, villagers complain that Khmer Rouge often sweep down to rob them along the highway that leads to the Gulf of Thailand, then leave behind here." There are reports circulating throughout Kampot Province, southwest of the capital, that many soldiers are turning to banditry. minefields, apparently to terrorize local The reports are widely believed. settlers.

In mid-February, a truck carrying sea "They plant mines here to make it im-possible for us to walk safely in our vilsalt from Kampot to Phnom Penh was ambushed at dawn, its tires shot out and lages," said an elderly woman who sells fruit and cigarettes at a roadside stand in Takeo. "All they want to do is make people the driver and other passengers robbed. Trigger-happy soldiers were blamed for the attack die and make us think that peace is impos

In Kampot, as in other provinces, many people say they are frightened to be outside their homes after dusk. sible.

"Some people like the Khmer Rouge, but I think they are evil," she said. Khieu Samphan, the nominal Khmer Rouge leader, was nearly lynched when he The growing lawlessness outside Phnom Penh is most likely to benefit the Khmer Rouge, who gained some legitimacy by signing the peace treaty brokered by the returned to Phnom Penh last November after a dozen years in exile. Government troops rescued him from a villa being used

Despite their murderous past, Khmer as the Khmer Rouge headquarters in the Rouge are part of the Supreme National Council, a coalition led by the nation's former monarch, Prince Norodom Sihacapital, but the villa was ransacked. While Khmer Rouge insist that they have abandoned Marxism and embraced nouk, that is to help govern the nation until free-market economics, they continue to

elections next year. The ambitions of the Khmer Rouge re-main a constant worry to those Cambodi-ans whose families suffered under its genoportray themselves as champions of the Cambodian masses, and the faction retains at least a small base of support among the rural poor. cidal reign.

The small advance contingent of UN Already burdened with so many troumilitary observers in Cambodia has acbles, Cambodia is about to be inundated cused the leaders of ignoring terms of the cease-fire by refusing to allow monitors into areas under Khmer Rouge control. A scutor Asian diplomat here said of the with hundreds of thousands of mostly landless refuge

Nearly 370,000 Cambodians are making final preparations to flood home from Thailand in what relief workers say will be Khmer Ronge: "They will do the bare minimum in meeting terms of the ceaseone of the largest and most complex resettlements since the partition of India in fire, keeping soldiers and weapons in reserve, in secret if necessary. They want to 1947.



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mat to visit Vietnam in six years. Other diplomats said the aid pact

Mr. Solomon's trip to Vietnam

occurred amid speculation, both in

Washington and Hanoi, that the

United States would restore diplo-

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**U.S. Lawyers Say** 

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boat refugees are being wrongly denied refugee status because of flaws in Hong Kong's screening and review process, a group of U.S. human rights lawyers said Thurs-day. Hong Kong officials denied the charge. The New York-based Lawyers'

qualify as political refugees under the strict criteria of the United Na-

tions High Commissioner for Refu-

Those who are classified initially as economic migrants, as were 86 percent of 29,939 people screened

up to Jan. 1, may then appeal.

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Committee for Human Rights said in a report that the British colony's process in fact meets minimum international standards for determining refugee status. "However, an examination of 132 decisions of the Review Board between 1990 and 1991 shows that this process re-mains gradging and hostile to gen-uine refugees," it said. "We estimate that at least hun-

dreds, perhaps thousands, of Victnamese are being wrongfully deninese are being wrongruny de-nied refugee protection because of decision-making deficiencies," it added. Asylum-seekers must be screened to find out whether they Americans in Indochina.

Technical specialists from the United States, Vietnam and Cambodia were expected to meet Friday and Saturday in Phnom Penh, the Cambodian capital, to discuss joint procedures to resolve the cases of the 2,267 Americans still unaccounted for in Indochina. - PHILIP SHENON

to leave by the end of this year.

#### **Filipino Official Says**

Philippine officials are inked at the United States for deciding to remove three dry docks from the U.S. naval base at Su-bic Bay, which Manila ordered closed this year, and tow them to an undisclosed destination. "The Americans are hardhearted," Horacio Paredes, press secretary to President Corazon C. Aquino, said. "The dry docks are old, and they can-

not be brought to Guam's shal-low waters. Why can't they just bequeath them to us?" Officials had expressed hopes that at least one of the dry docks would be left behind to facilitate the conversion of Subic into a commercial shipyard.

"There is much more to life than the dry docks," said James R. Lilley, the U.S. assistant delense secretary, after a meeting with Mrs. Aquino. Subic is the last U.S. military base in the Philippines. The Americans turned over five other installations.

between the two nations. Washington resumed formal aid to Vietnam last year, for the first time since the war, when it ap-proved \$1.3 million for programs to provide artificial limbs to Vietnamese soldiers and civilians. In December, the United States

lifted travel restrictions for Americans wishing to visit Victnam, a move that could be worth millions of dollars a year to the Victnamese tourism industry. During his trip to Hanoi this week, Mr. Solomon met with Prime

Minister Vo Van Kiet and Foreign Minister Nguyen Manh Cam and, according to American diplomats, stressed to the Vietnamese leaders that the United States would stick to its year-old "road map" for nor-malizing relations with Hanoi. There has been other, recent process on the search for missing

The relations between Washington and Mrs. Aquino, whose six years in office will end June 30, have cooled in the past year. Last September, the Philippine Senate rejected a new 10-year U.S. lease for Subic, and Mrs. Aquino ordered the Americana

#### Around Asia

The steam engine, nearly ex-tinct in the West, remains a familiar feature of the landscape in India. But not for much longer. The government has an-nounced that India's 2,815 steam locomotives, down from about 12,000 a few decades ago, will be out of service by the turn of the century. Steam engines, long since relegated to branch lines, already are outnumbered by diesel and electric locomo-

Huia hoops, which swept the West during the 1950s, are the new rage in Beijing. The multi-colored plastic hoops are on sale in the capital's markets and department stores for about 7 yuan (\$1.20). The official Xinhua press agency has given its approval of the former Western fad. "It is part of the new trend of keeping fit and slim," the agency said.

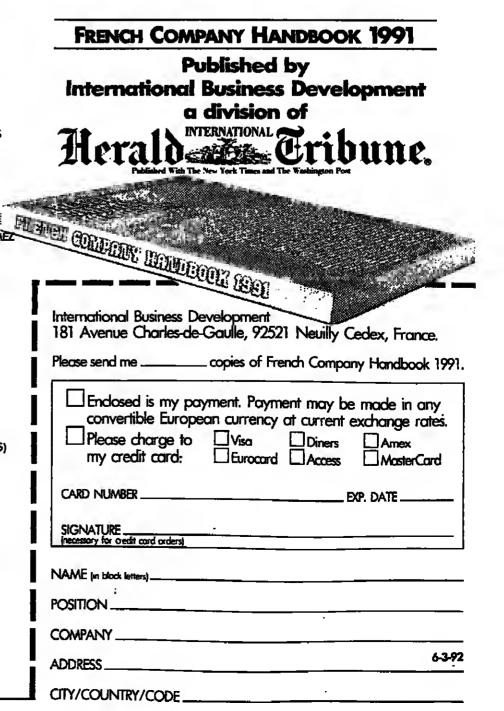
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### **Bush's Tax Flip-Flop**

#### 'Read My Polls'

George Bush's abject apology for raising taxes in 1990 is doubly dismaying. He man-aged both to tarnish his own good deed and reveal an appalling lack of conviction.

He acted responsibly in 1990 when he signed a deficit-reduction package that included a modest tax rise. Had he stood behind his 1988 know-nothing campaign pledge — "Read my lips: No new taxes" — he would have brought the federal govern-ment to a screeching halt or triggered an orgy of irresponsible spending cuts. Mr. Bush dishonors himself by declaring

the decision a "mistake." He compounds dishonor when he explains his turnaround. "Listen, if I had that to do over, I wouldn't do it,2 he said. "Look at all the flak it's taking." In other words, the decision was wrong because it hampers re-election.

But think back to the fall of 1990. Recessionary fears emerged as oil prices soared following Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. The budget deficit for 1991 was projected to be \$80 billion above target. Under the prevailing budget law Congress had to eliminate the gap or the administration would have to impose across-the-board spending cuts.

The consequences would have been dra-conian. Defense expenditures would have been cut by \$40 billion — at a time when the Soviet Union still loomed large. And domestic programs would have been cut by another \$40 billion. One out of every three dollars spent on discretionary programs, from the FBI to the Food and Drug Administration, would have been lost.

#### He Must Have Known

The president has taken the flip-flop to a new place, the flip-flop-flip. Under political pressure George Bush now says that it was a "mistake" to have broken in 1990 the famous "Read my lips: No new taxes" pledge that he made in the 1988 campaign. But it turns out that, like the promise itself, the mistake was not substantive but tactical: It led, in the president's view, to too much political grief. Such a confession can only compound the credibility problem that it was meant to fix.

Mr. Bush doesn't quite say of the broken promise that the devil made him do it. He says Congress did. "But, yes, I, you see, I'm very disappointed with Congress," he has explained. "I thought this one compromise, and it was a compromise, would result in no more tax increases. I thought it would result in total control of domestic discretionary spending. And now we see Congress talking about raising taxes again. And some in Congress are talking about trying to break down the spending caps. And so I'm disap-pointed, and given all that, yes, a mistake." Not a word in all that blame about why the tax increase was needed; no mention of the real broken promise of the 1980s, which was that the country could, too, have a tax cut

What was Mr. Bush to do? Watch desperately needed federal programs disintegrate? Engage Congress in a political duel, leading to a government shutdown?

Meanwhile, those who suggested the unsound but easy way ont - waiving the budget law - ignored powerful opposition in Mr. Bush's own party: Republican senators like Phil Gramm, the budget law's coauthor, would never have signed such a blank federal check. Mr. Bush faced up to reality and signed the best bill he could get. It reduced the federal deficit by about \$500 billion over five years, in part by raising some gasoline taxes and income taxes. The effectiveness of the law is borne out by recent studies showing that Congress has faithfully lived by the new rules.

Mr. Bush's decision was right. Yet now he sheds that conviction. Or has he? After labeling the decision the worst mistake of his presidency, he later waffled, saying that he had to do it to keep government running. Asked whether the decision really was a mistake, he waffles again: "Well, I don't know. Wc'll see."

Follow the trail: In 1988 Mr. Bush defines his candidacy by running with his lips. In 1990 he repudiates his 1988 pledge in order to keep government running. Now in 1992 he repudiates the repudiation, but with wiggles.

So was raising taxes right or wrong? Was the 1990 law good or bad? True to form, he renders his final judgment: "I don't know. We'll see." Apparently he needs to read the latest poll.

-THE NEW YORK TIMES.

and defense buildup at the same time without an increase in the deficit, because domestic spending would be so easy to cut. No mention of these facts: that the deficit is now a third of a trillion dollars a year, that interest now consumes a seventh of the budget; that the national debt has tripled in the past 12 years; that the drag of debt reduces the ability to govern as well as economic growth — and that Mr. Bush no more than Ronald Reagan has been able to identify the cuts that the myth of a sprawl-

ing government suggests should be so easy. That would be the real confession. Instead, Mr. Bush says that the virtues of the 1990 budget agreement have been "just overwhelmed by the fact that I went for a tax increase. And it's political grief. Listen, if I had it to do over, I wouldn't do what I did then, for a lot of reasons, including political reasons."

Now here is the truth: The great mistake was not breaking the promise but making it in the first place. The president must have known at some level that he couldn't keep his pledge. A lot of voters surely knew he couldn't -wouldn't -keep it, too. It is the right that is unforgiving and that he is now trying, again, to propitiate. He should know now that never works for long.

-THE WASHINGTON POST.

### Now, the Messy Season

Although Tuesday's primary results win-nowed the Democratic field to, at most, in Southern and border states where blacks three plausible contenders, the Democrats are a significant factor. And looking toward are far from having a candidate. That wor- November, educated upper-income voters ries some of the party faithful. It shouldn't. tend to exercise disproportionate influence

### Why Are Chinese Missile Experts in Syria?

WASHINGTON - When the Syrian dicta-tor, Hafez Assad, decided to deal with an intifada of Muslim fundamentalists in 1982, he did not bother with rubber bullets, deportations or the killing of a neighboring terrorist leader. On the contrary, he leveled his guns on the city of Hama and wiped out its center. About 20,000 people were buildozed into mass graves. All such rules of firm dealing are now called "Hama Rules."

Hama has been largely rebuilt and repopulated with Assad loyalists and Syrian soldiers. South of the town is a facility under construction of interest to the world's nonproliferation agencies because it has been repeatedly visited by delegations of Chi-nese missile technologists. These scientists shuttle between the secret Hama plant and another, larger facility under construction at Aleppo. Parts of the Aleppo plant are being built under-

ground. Its expert workers underwent training in China last year. Some suspect that the Aleppo plant will produce surface to surface missiles. The plant will produce sufface-to-sufface missiles. Inte-Hama plant, say these sources, is supposed to make sophisticated guidance systems for these missiles. It may also be improving the accuracy of the Scud-C missiles, with a range of 400 miles (650 kilometers), that were sold to Syria last March by North Korea with Sandi financing.

The intelligence on the recent visits to the Syrian sites by the Chinese groups is, I think, "hard": but the purpose of the new secret plants has not yet been confirmed.

to Pakistan was revealed." If the Chinese have been contributing to the

indigenous Syrian missile production, it would mean that the U.S. Congress was right and the

By William Safire

president wrong about the best way to stop the Chinese from helping increase the risk of war in the Middle East.

Last Nov. 17, after giving Chinese leaders dip-lomatic condonation by visiting Beijing, Secre-tary of State James Baker announced "clear gains in the fields of proliferation and trade." He told reporters this meant that the Chinese had agreed not to export M-9 missiles to Syria.

supply of Chinese equipment needed to assemble the advanced weaponry. The plot: China would live up to the letter of its

agreement with the United States - holding back the Pershing-type M-9s — but violate its spirit by making it possible for Syria to deliver destruction in a locally produced missile of equivalent range. On Feb. 10 of this year, the Chinese scientists

secretly visited the plants at Aleppo and Hama. On Feb. 22, President George Bush announced that he would lift a ban on the export of satellite parts and high-speed computers to China. The ban had been imposed, said Senator George Mitchell, "when a secret sale of Chinese missile launchers

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Next day, as its supervisory delegation was re-turning secretly from Syria, Berjing announced that "China will act in accordance with the Missile

Control Technology Regime ... in its export of missiles and missile technology." Meanwhile, the U.S. Congress has been con-cerned about sales by China of missiles to Syria and nuclear technology to Iran. To discourage any backing away from commitments made by China on the Baker visit, a bill was passed to cut off most-favored-nation status if Beijing reneged on its promises.

On Monday, unaware of -or unworried about - possible Chinese participation in local Syrian missile production, Mr. Bush vetoed the bill linking China's missile restraint to the favored trade status. The Senate vote to override his veto was 59 to 39, six votes short of the two-thirds needed.

Might six more senators, if informed of the Chinese circumvention of agreements touted by Secretary Baker even as the voting took place, have voted to override?

This sort of story is difficult for a journalist to check out; Hama is off limits for me. But I remember how a concern for verification two years ago constrained me from writing about Iraqi nuclear development for months. (At first that story was universally derided; it has since been confirmed.)

So I pose the question with appropriate caveats. What are the Chinese scientists doing in Syria? The New York Times.

> **One Rulebook** For Both Sides

By T. Boone Pickens N EW YORK - The decision by the U.S. attorney general, William Barr, to begin enforcing U.S. antitrust law against Japan's corporate cartels, or keiretsus, is a breath of fresh air in the suffocating world of trade talks. These keinetsus block not only free trade with Japan but fair competition in the United States, where keiretsus have become a leading Japanese export.

Mr. Barr has simply stated the obvious: We Americans should demand of Japan the same rules we demand of ourselves.

Over the years, the United States has adopted a series of laws and regulations guaranteeing that the interests and rights of workers, investors, consumers and competitors be protected. These rules have for the most part worked well.

With the world marketplace be-coming more interdependent, isn't it reasonable that the United States insist that everyone play by the same rules? This is not a question of enforcing some American cultural condition on the rest of the world, It is a question of fairness - like isting that all basketball teams in the Summer Olympics field the same number of players.

Some apologists of Japan's car-tels have argued that the United States should adopt keiretsu-like structures. "They're efficient," the experts say. I agree, they are. The keiretsus have efficiently kept most American business out of Japan. They have efficiently kept prices high for Japanese consumers, dividends meager for shareholders and working conditions horrible for Japanese workers.

With each new political and financial scandal coming out of Ja-

Israel Finds An Identity In the East By Abraham Rabinovich

T ERUSALEM --- Establishing dip-J lomatic relations in recent weeks with China and India, Israel has recognized to its mild surprise that it is itself an Asian country.

Since its birth, Israel has fantasized that it was a European country, located somewhere between Spain and Latvia - sending basketball teams to European Cup matches, singers to the annual Eurovision contest, and seeking associate membership in the European Community.

But alignments are shifting in the post-Cold War, post-Gulf War world. And nations in East Asia that had long been remote, if not outright surly, are extending their hands to Israel, on the edge of West Asia. No longer the pariah, Israel is

now perceived as a country that might he able to help open political doors in Washington and to offer its own high-tech resources. In addition to new relationships with China and India, Israel will be upgrading its representation in South Korea, fol-lowing Scoul's agreement last month, to that of resident ambassador. Even Mongolia has established diplomatic relations.

With the Asian-Pacific region solution the center of economic growth in coming decades, Israel's new ties are sure to prove invaluable. El Al, Israel's national air carrier,

has negotiated charter flights to Chi-na and Japan and hopes to open regular routes soon. Connections now require tedious roundabout trav-

el via Europe. The World Jewish Congress is sponsoring a Chinese-Jewish collosponsoring a Chinese Jewish collo-quium in Beijing next month in which 10 top Jewish academicians, mostly Israelis, and 10 top Chinese academi-cians will play at historical catch-up — a two-day primer in Chinese and Unick endown is a construction of the set of t Jewish culture. Each side will explore what it has been missing for the past few thousand years by not knowing the other. Similar Asian-Jewish colloquinnes were held in Singapore in 1984 and in Hong Kong 1987. In the absence of direct contact

with Jews, many Asians, say World Jewish Congress officials, have been affected by anti-Israel propaganda. The "Protocols of Zion," which fantasize a world Jewish conspiracy,

flourish within certain circles in Ja-pan and other Asian countries. Ironically, this has not been entire-ly bad for the Jews. While some Asians have been persuaded that Jews are wicked, the depiction of them as an all-powerful, unscrupu-loss race controlling the international press, the maks and the American government may have persuaded oth-ers in the pragmatic East that the Jews are a substantial people not to be overlooked.

Israel has had good trade rela-tions with some smaller Asian countries, either openly or discreetly. But relations with the giants have been low-key or nonexistent. India's sudden decision last month to recognize Israel was particularly surprising; its traditional pro-Arab stance was not just pragmatic, as the Chinese stance had been, but a matter of Third World ideological identity. When Arab nations sat down with Israel at the negotiating table; however, it made little sense for India to remain aloof. As for Japan, it is clearly preparing a more assertive role in the Middle East, where it has vital economic interests. Its request to participate in the multinational phase of the Mid-dle East peace talks in Moscow in super in his storerooms in # January has whetted hopes that Tokyo may eventually bankroll devel-option projects in the area as well as lespend lifting of the best to a refugee resettlement schemes. The prospect of direct flights be-Ticans Eas tween Tokyo and Tel Aviv opens the way to mass Japanese tourism to Israel, and Japanese entrepreneurs have recently begun investing in Is-Configure to the State of State State Alter Alter Alter racli enterprises. STERENT X 1 2001 THE OR S Israeli businessmen and trade offi-And the second state and the s cials, whose orientation has been westward, are now studying airline timetables to the cast and attending Rest in the state of at prover lectures on how one does business in Japan and China. The Foreign Minis-A State of the sta try in Jerusalem has sent young dip-lomats on intensive training courses in Oriental languages. For Israel, a new world order And a set of the set of the set is dawning. International Revold Tribune. A CE STATE THE MENTING AND ALL DAY LEAST

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subject to no effective political control. And they were driven more by interservice rivalries than by long-

The behavior of many Japanese corporations in global markets to day suggests a disturbing parallel in damage that they could ultimately do to Japan and in the sense that no one in Tokyo really knows

companies are out of control flies in the face of conventional wisdom, particularly the "Japan Inc." view that sees corporations as creatures of the economic bureaucracy respond-

what to do about it. The implication that Japanese

pansion is leading to a collision course with the rest of the world.

To paraphrase the distinction, entist Chalmers Johnson, the Japanese bureaucracy has always had a leaves few effective instruments to restrain large corporations.

bankruptcy or takeover, the power

corporations such a competitive advantage that they may provoke unwelcome restrictions abroad. But he

Like nervous civilian ministers in Tokyo knows a way to bring the

could actually arm the Japanese bu-reaucracy with the justifications it needs to restrain corporate behavior. The United States plays a unique role in Japan — providing for its security — and it is only half jokingly that Japanese commentators often refer to America as Japan's only effective opposition party. The formidable task of arming

the bureaucracy, however, would

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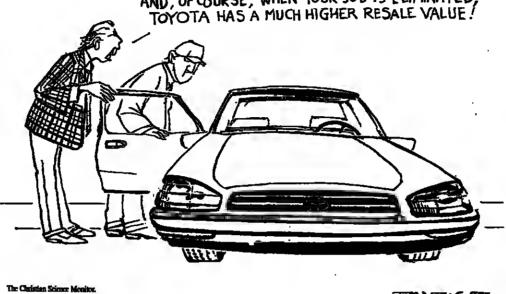
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### A Call to Arm Japan's Bureaucracy

T OKYO – Sixty years ago, Jap-ancse military units operating in China led Japan to disaster. Groups like the Kwangtung Army, which took over Manchuria, were bind to be a collision

first formulated by the political scidevelopmental rather than a regulatory function. The crux of the danger is that the regulatory weakness

The typical instruments by which capitalist economies control economic enterprises are the enforcement of antitrust laws, the requirement to earn profits and compete for capital markets, the sanction of

admitted that he was not sure how to induce corporations to head off anti-Japanese sentiment abroad. the cabinets of the 1930s, no one in

Toyotas of Japan into line. Paradoxically, the United States



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One week later, if my information is correct, the Chinese secretly agreed to help the Syrians construct their own missiles. This included the

AND, OF COURSE, WHEN YOUR JOB IS ELIMINATED,

The primary season is never tidy and often in Democratic primaries; they loom less arge in general elections. more we learn. Democracy is served.

What was learned on Tuesday? Bob Kerrey seems finished, Tom Harkin nearly so. Jerry Brown did well enough to keep running, at least through Super Tuesday. Pat Buchanan now seems capable of getting one-third of the vote wherever he goes, a measure of Republican discontent and George Bush's disjointed campaign.

The most striking finding, judging by exit polls, was how sharply the vote for Bill Clinton and Paul Tsongas divided along class and racial lines. Blacks and poorer whites voted massively for Mr. Clinton, while high-income, better-educated whites favored Mr. Tsongas. Mr. Clinton outpolled Mr. Tsongas among blacks by five to one in Georgia and three to one in Maryland. Eight of 10 Georgia voters without a high school education voted for Mr. Clinton; Mr. Tsongas did far better among college graduates in Georgia and won decisively among gradu-ates in Maryland and Colorado.

In Maryland, Mr. Clinton beat Mr. Tsongas by a 2-to-1 ratio among voters with incomes of less than \$15,000. The figures were exactly reversed among voters making more than \$75,000.

There are two cautionary notes for Mr. Tsongas. Mr. Clinton's strong showing among blacks augurs well for him on Super

A more important cautionary note applies to all candidates: States are different, not only in size and composition but in the rules and trappings of their primaries and cancuses. Mr. Tsongas should do well in the Northeast and, barring an across-the-board disaster, is likely to be alive and kicking

when the campaign moves to the big Mid-dle Western battlegrounds of Michigan and Illinois on March 17. On the Republican side, the harried president simply cannot shake Mr. Buchanan, many of whose supporters said they hoped mainly to send a "message." Has Mr. Bush heard it? He says he grieves for those wounded by the recession, yet so far offers no organized countermeasures.

He missed a fine opportunity in Georgia to repeat the healing themes of his State of the Union address and to confront Patrick Buchanan's divisive appeals. Instead the president apologized for his sound rever-sal on tax increases, which merely made him look insecure.

All this would have been impossible to predict even four months ago. A group of little-known Democrats seeking to reinvent their party; a rogue Republican; a president searching for his soul. All very messy. All unexpected. All interesting.

-THE NEW YORK TIMES.

### **Other Comment**

#### **A Threat in Algeria**

The indefinite suspension of the second round of voting in Algerian elections and the arrests of Islamic fundamentalists, although they have been criticized by some, have been widely accepted and partly supported in the Arab world and in Europe. But whether it was clever to declare

the Islamic Salvation Front illegal, is another question.

After the ban by a court, whose indepen-

dence from the ruling State Council could be doubted, militant members of the Islamic Front have no reason to hold back. Violence from the underground could be

the response of the Front. In one stroke, through the decision of the court, hundreds of citizens are now carrying the stain of illegallity, as they had been elected in communal voting last year. At the time, the Front had 54.3 percent of the vote. All that no longer counts.

- Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung.

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to orders from the Ministry of International Trade and Industry.

The bureaucrat-industry nexus that led to Japan's phenomenal economic success is rooted in wartime arrangements. The goal of victory in war was replaced in 1945 with the goal of reconstruction, which in turn evolved into unlimited industrial expansion.

But still, the bureaucracy sets broad strategic parameters and cre-ates a favorable environment for industry, while individual corporations - through intense competition, product innovation and marketing blitzkriegs - carry ont the economic expansion. Within this framework the burean-

cracy has the final word, but it lacks both the instruments and the political legitimacy to shift goals for Japan,

HONOLULU - What seemed like a mild firstion between

India and the United States at the

beginning of the Gulf War may have

blossomed into a full-fledged affair.

Recently, for example, two senior U.f. commanders, Admiral Frank Kelso, chief of naval operations, and

Licatenant General Johnnie Corns, commander of the Pacific army, held

extensive talks with their Indian

And in a move likely to hasten the

demise of Indian nonalignment, the

American and Indian commanders

set up a military steering committee

"to establish the basis for a long-

An admission by Sharad Pawar, the Indian defense minister, that the

two countries are "moving toward opening our forces and defense ac-

tivities to each other" would have been unthinkable a year ago. The rapprochement can be said to have started in 1986, when Caspar

Weinberger became the first U.S. de-

fense secretary to visit India. The pro-

term army-to-army relationship

counterparts in New Delhi.

of unions to bargain for wa reasonable working hours, the ability of suppliers to extract fair prices none of which much concerns the biggest Japanese companies. Thus the president of Toshiba can announce that he is prepared to lose money for 10 years to establish his company's dominance of flat panel displays for television, and Toyota can flood world markets with cars at a time of horrendous global overcapacity and the worst auto recession ever. Thinking Japanese understand

the danger of provoking waves of hostility that may bring about barriers to Japanese goods and capital. Akio Morita, the chairman of

Sony, wrote recently in one of Japan's leading journals that Japanese management methods give

ire a radical overhaul not only of U.S. negotiating style vis-à-vis Japan (no more botched trade missions disguised as presidential visits) but also of American understanding of Japanese capitalism. It would further require a willinguess to look at America's own industrial structure strategically to admit that some industries are more important to the country's long-term health than others --- so that negotiators can aim at concrete results rather than make meaningless and needlessly irritating calls for "open markets" and "level play-ing fields," neither of which means anything in the Japanese context.

The writer, an investment banker, contributed this comment to The New York Times

pan, it is apparent what this efficient system has wrought corruption. And that is why Congress passed the Sherman Antitrust Act - to protect free markets from the corruption that comes from monopolies and cartels.

The American worker and American business can compete against anybody in the world. All Washington has to do is insist that everyone play by the same rules, and then get out of the way.

The writer is chairman of MESA Inc., a natural gas producer, and pres-ident of Boone Co., an investment firm that sought unsuccessfully to gain rep-resentation as the largest shareholder of Japan's Koito Manufacturing. He contributed this comment to The Washington Post.

In the Ashes of Nonalignment, a U.S.-India Embrace of a strategic partnership is that New Delhi and Washington still do not share the same world view. Mr. Rao believes that any new world order should concentrate less on arms control and human rights, and more on economic return under global ans-

> The writer, editor of The Statesman newspaper in India, is on leave as editor-in-residence at the East-West Center in Hawaii. He contributed this comment to

#### IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

NEW YORK — The British and American Behring Sea Commission-ers have held a long sitting at the State Department which practically concluded their deliberations. It is generally thought that the Commissioners have entirely failed to arrive at any satisfactory understanding as to the best method of conducting scal fishing with a view to preserving

the species. The Secretary of State has, it is stated, received a notification that Lord Salisbury is unwilling to renew the modus vivendi regulating the seal fishery in the Behring sea while the arbitration proceedings are still pending.

#### 1917: German Unease

ZURICH - The German press shows considerable embarrassment made from the film and delivered to at the disclosure of the Government's manocuvres against the United cargo space by eliminating the "bulk mail" but also would provide faster States, and this feeling of uncasiness has not disappeared behind the efand safer transportation.

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1942: Mail to the Front

WASHINGTON --- IFrom our New

York edition:] Because the delivery of mail to soldiers in the field is

"second only to food," the War De-

partment announced today it is parfecting a plan to expedite delivery of

letters to the men by photographing several hundred on a small roll of

film which can be flown to a base.

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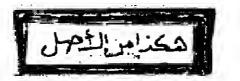
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By Sunanda K. Datta-Ray market economy, voted to repeal the UN General Assembly's Ziogism-is-

cration on land, in the air and at sea. The countries have worked togethracism resolution, supported Western initiatives against Libyan terrorism, heid naval exercises with Australia in er before, but even their limited joint operations were usually kept secret, educated at U.S. insistence or in deference to Indian political sensitivities. Chandra Shekhar, the former Indi-

an prime minister, nearly lost his job when he allowed U.S. transport aircraft to refuel at Indian airports during the Gulf War. Faced with mounting criticism for betraying the principle of nonalignment, he tele-phoned President George Bush and

asked that the planes fly over India. The current prime minister, P. V. Narasimha Rao, has reassessed India's strategic options. Pressure on several fronts forced him to do so: economic problems at home; the disintegration of the Soviet Union, which had always supported India diplomatically and provided 70 percent of its defense requirements; and the virtual collapse of nonalignment, which had long provided a conceptual framework for Indian

cess gained momentum in April 1991, when General Claude Kicklighter, General Corns's predecessor, took proposals to India for strategic coop-Mr. Rao's Congress (I) Party government has taken major steps toward a

### When Asian Americans Are Scapegoats

A SIAN AMERICANS, the fastest growing U.S. minority group, face disturbingly widespread prejudice and hostile acts at school, at work and in the legal system. Violence and other acts of bigotry against Asian Ameri-cans are on the rise nationwide as U.S. economic problems are blamed, absurdly, on Japan and other Asian nations.

A new report by the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights concludes that the media should work harder to increase awareness of such hate crimes. We completely agree. The risk of not doing that can best be appreciated by recalling the anti-Japanese hysteria that swept the nation during World War II.

California, where more Asian Americans live than in any other state, should set an example by calling on presidential candidates to demand better protection for Asian Americans. — Los Angeles Times - Los Angeles Times.

foreign policy. In a series of dramatic turnabouts,

American helo in easing long-standing Indian disputes with China and Pakistan would be a bonns.

But New Delhi's primary interest in closer ties with Washington ap-pears to be in a military supply rela-tionship that would strengthen In-

dia's position as a regional power. The United States, on the other

hand, appears to want broader, if discreet, security cooperation. India, with the third-largest pool of scientists and engineers in the world,

the fourth-largest standing army, the ninth-biggest industrial economy, a blue water navy and a large middle class, is an obvious choice as President

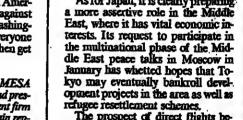
expects the partnership to uphold democratic values, safeguard human rights, curb the rise of religious fundamentalism, check narcoterrorism and keep the sea lanes open.

There remain important differences between India and the United States on issues such as trade regulations, the role of multinational corpo-rations, ballistic missile development

and nuclear nonproliferation. But what really stands in the way

# Bush seeks partners to help fashion a "new world order." The United States

### 1892: Saving the Seals



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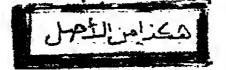
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tion contracts abroad. And it has a shopping list of sophisticated weapons that only the United States can supply. the International Herald Tribune.

the Indian Ocean, agreed to improve its chilly relations with Israel, and pices, so that developing countries gain tangible benefits from the end of the Cald War.

opened a dialogue with the Association of Southeast Asian Nations. India needs loans from the International Monetary Fund, and it needs foreign investment. It seeks construc-



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### **OPINION**

### An Identity **Buchanan Effect:** Nudging **Becomes Plain Elbowing**

#### By Anthony Lewis

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Mr. Benkard was told to go and see

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Constance Horner, director of presiden-tial personnel in the White House. At

he would be too interested in enforcing

Mr. Barr, who became attorney gener-al in November, never called again. Vicki Masterman, a young conservative

from Chicago, got the job. Even the conservative editors of The Wall Street Journal have called the Environ-mental Defense Fund a "more moderate"

mental Detense Fund a "more moderate" group. But in this election year, with Patrick Buchanan running, Mr. Bush is bowing ever more to the right. When 1 telephoned Mr. Benkard, he sounded checrital enough but troubled. "I support George Bush," he said. "But the constant pressure on him from the

right will inevitably alienate moderate

For me the worst aspect of the epi-sode is what it indicates about Mr.

Barr. The Justice Department used to

have a certain esprit, a resistance to political interference. But that requires

an attorney general with fortitude. It is

a long time since we Americans have

had one who deserved the form we use

in addressing him: general. The New York Times.

epublicans such as myself."

By Abraham Rabinovid T ERUSALEM - Establish B OSTON - James Benkard is a se-nior partner in the New York law firm of Davis Polk & Wardwell, where J ERUSALEM - Established lomatic relations in room of ognized to its mild surprise the itself an Asian country. Since its birth, Israel has fastion ed somewhare between Span of European Cup matchet, since is seeking associate membership is between Span of the European Community. Bit alignments are brits. he has mostly represented large corpora-tions and securities firms. He is 54, a

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Republican, a graduate of Harvard Col-lege and Columbia Law School. Those credentials are not enough, these days, to keep someone from being politically suspect to the Bush adminis-tration. So Mr. Benkard has learned. Mr. Bankard had a schembern all in hills form Benkard had a telephone call in July from William Barr, then deputy to Attorney General Dick Thomburgh Mr. Barr asked him to come and talk about becom-

#### Constant pressure on Bush from the party's right wing will now perceived as a county of might be able to help open policy doors in Washington and loaden own high-tech resources. In adden to zew relationships with Chinas Institu. Israel will be upgedie representation in South Kora, iowizz Seoui's agreement. inevitably alienate moderate Republicans.

ing assistant attorney general in charge of the Justice Department's Environment and Natural Resources Division.

The idea appealed to Mr. Benkard because he had practiced a good deal of environmental law. And he was an old friend of President George Bush's coun-sel, C. Boyden Gray. That seemed to

assure him White House support. So he went to Washington. Mr. Thomburgh was away, preparing his run for senator. Mr. Barr said he wanted Mr. Benkard, Then, a little later, he asked Mr. Benkard to come back down

and meet Mr. Thornburgh. At the second meeting both Mr. Thornburgh and Mr. Barr, soon to be his successor, were enthusiastic about having Mr. Benkard in the department. Mr. Thornburgh made a point of assuring

"The one thing we do not want to have happen to you," Mr. Thomburgh said, "is what happened to Bob Fiske, which was unfair." Robert Fiske Jr., another partner in Davis Polk & Wardwell, was nominated as deputy attorney general in 1989; but there were objections from the extreme right, and the nomination was withdrawn.

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#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

worse than it was before the exphonically celebrated Gulf War: Saddam Hussein is

still comfortably installed and busy as-

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and Israel is being patronizingly conned by the Bush administration into aban-

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doning its national security interests.

#### Aid, Real and Unreal

Regarding the various aid programs to the former Soviet republics, may I make a few points? Aid as a public relations exercise can result in serious distortions when the gap between reality and the image projected becomes too great. Thus, the flying in of food aid is a senseless luxury when you can transport

it by land for a quarter of the price. The people who need aid are always those least able to obtain it for themselves. Identifying the needy - not evcryone is starving in Moscow by any stretch of the imagination - working one's way through red tape, keeping fraud and theft within acceptable limits, and preventing the use of aid by the authorities to reward their own supporters, is extremely difficult. However, such a task has to be carried out, or else aid serves only to enrich the powerful and the crafty who take control of it. Meanwhile, let us remember that hu-

manitarian action should be based on the universal application of fundamen-tal human values. Yet, as Galaxys fly

toward the Commonwealth of Indepen- Riches Amid Poverty dent States, Somalis are dying. Dr. ALAIN DESTEXHE

Regarding "In a North-South Gap, Seeds of Environmental Discord\* (Opin-ion, Jan. 24): Secretary-General Doctors Without Borders. Shridath Ramphal says that if the Brussels **Foreign Policy Failure** 

world's environment is to be saved, Western countries must heed "the cries I strongly endorse William Safire's article on March 3, "Bush and His Hat-chetmen Are Pushing Israel Tuo Far." The real failure of the Bush administrafor help from the poor nations." However, such help must stop going to the autocratic clites in the developing world. KARL A ZIEGLER. London.

#### The KGB Lives

tion is not that it has dangerously ne-glected domestic policy issues but that, with hindsight, it has abominably failed in its foreign policy initiatives as well. Regarding "Now Where Do We Go? Britain's New-Era MI5 Spies Ask" (Feb. 27) by Glenn Frankel: Nowhere is this more evident than in the Middle East, where everything is

No, the KGB is not "out of action." As long as Russia's military power re-mains dangerous, its internal politics in turmoil and its huge spy networks intact and still secret, the West cannot afford to turn its attention away from the ex-KGB at work.

> T. H. BAGLEY. Brussels.

### **Observer in South Africa:** That Was Murder Outside

#### By Rae K. Grad

WASHINGTON - To someone unaccustomed to gunfire, the sound of a 35mm pistol is surprisingly bengn. But the genule pops that I heard in Petermanizburg, South Africa, one recent evening were the sound of death. I had gone to South Africa to learn about the demise of apartheid. My trip was organized by the Kellogg National Fellowship Program, a three-year exer-

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cise in leadership development that has taken me around the United States and

thought the trip would teach me how the

Americans and eight South Africans, gathered for dinner to discuss the work of local ministries and human rights

organizations. Mr. Mbatha was the only

black South African among the guests. We had been scheduled to eat in family homes, but Pietermaritzburg was be-coming increasingly unstable, so a last-minute decision was made to have a group dimer at a perturbat

group dinner at a restaurant. The South Africans shared news of

the dismantling of the apartheid govern-ment. Their sense of hope was palpable.

job was as an organizer with a local

because of his work with the United

Democratic Front. He was a proud, elo-

quent man who nervously looked at his

watch during the dinner because it was not safe for him to be out after dark on a

Saturday night in Natal. Mr. Mbatha talked during dinner

about what has and has not changed in South Africa. He spoke optimistically of the breakthrough in revoking the apart-

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Mandela from prison, but he was concerned that improved living conditions. educational opportunities and economic equity were unlikely without major changes in the government's structure. . Mr. Mbatha left the dinner early to go

heid laws and the release of Nelson

home to his three young children, wife and elderly mother. Only minutes after he left the table, six shots cracked outside the door of the restaurant. At first, no one reacted. The sound could have been a car

backfiring. Or firecrackers. But the shrieking of a woman shocked the dinner guests into action. Even with the immediate assistance of two physithe world to learn about global issues. I cians who were at the dinner, Mr. recent advances to end apartheid are leading to peace and harmony in South Mbatha could not be saved. He never had a chance. The response to the killing was appallleading to peace and narmony in Sourn Africa. I was wrong. We met Skhumbuzo Mbatha at a dinner on the fifth day of our trip. Mr. Mbatha lived in a township outside Pie-termaritzburg, an increasingly violent area in Natal Province. There were 15

ing. The police were careless, casual and indifferent. Three hours after his death, Mr. Mbatha's body had not been removed from the scene. No statements were taken from those with whom he had dined. The area was not cordoned off to search for evidence. No apparent attempt was made to identify or follow the assailants. Numerous witnesses were

Rumors abound. Who killed Mr. Mbatha? Who will be killed in retribu-tion? The more sinister thinkers claim the violence is a purposeful strategy by the white minority government to keep the situation unstable so that apartheid will remain. One could make the argument that the situation is designed so that the black community will be desta-bilized and thus unable to claim its place in the "new" South African government.

I began to feel hopeful myself. A handsome 34-year-old, Mr. Mbatha had grown up in townships after his family and friends were uprooted by the apartheid government. He had devoted his life to serving his community. His ich wat as an committee with a hord South Africa deserves a closer look by those of us who want to believe that apartheid is dead. Democracy must be demonstrated by more than just words on a piece of paper. Mr. Mbatha and those like him should not be forgotten. During dinner, he said, "You may not Christian human rights organization. Over the past 10 years, he had been detained four times and tortured twice

realize how important foreign attention to South Africa has been." His final question to us still rings in my car: "What will you continue to do for South Africa?"

The writer is executive director of the National Commission to Prevent Infant Mortality, a congressional commission She contributed this comment to The Washington Post.



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An ivory sculptor in his storeroom in Harare, Zimbabwe. He and other such craftsmen had been hoping for a partial lifting of the ban to allow Zimbabwe, South Africa and Botswana to deal in ivory.

### **Africans Ease Stance on Ivory**

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches KYOTO, Japan - Southern African nations that had sought an easing of a global ban on trading in ivory agreed Thursday to retain the prohibition but said they wanted to sell other elephant products such as meat and hides.

The nations said the ban, aimed at protecting the elephant, had worked so well that countries such as Zimbabwe now have more elephants than they can support.

In a statement, Botswana, Malawi, Zimbabwe and Namibia said that maintaining the ivory moratorium for the time being "would allow time to put in place a trading system that would not encourage any illegal opportunities for ivory trading." South Africa also agreed to maintain the ivory ban,

in a statement issued at a conference of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species

Developing nations have argued that they should be allowed to profit from their resources as long as the resources can be sustained. In the proposed compro-mise, meat and hides are seen as much less likely than high-priced ivory to attract poachers who would threaten mass slaughter of elephants.

Richard E. Leakey, director of the Kenya Wildlife Service, called the offer "a significant step forward."

In the past, he has said that any relaxing of the elephant trade ban would endanger fragile populations in Kenya and elsewhere. Simon Leyster of the World Wildlife Fund also

praised the offer but said the southern African propos-al for a voluntary moratorium was insufficient. He said the convention should guarantee the continued ivory ban.

Opponents of relaxing the ban say that poaching and smuggling are widespread in southern Africa. Earlier Thursday, a Swiss scientific group dealt Japan a possible setback by backing a Swedish pro-

posal to ban commercial trade in western Atlantic

The Swiss group, the World Conservation Union, joined the World Wildlife Fund, the National Audu-bon Society and 21 other groups to urge Sweden to "stand fast and resist attempts by other countries to withdraw or weaken their proposal."

Japan, which is the world's biggest consumer of bhiefin tuna, insists that the fish is in no danger of becoming extinct and that there is no need for a commercial ban.

The conservation groups say that the breeding population has declined by more than 90 percent since 1970, while fishing has increased by more than 2,200 (AP, AFP) percent.

succession des entrepreneurs d'après-guerre ne sont que quelques-unes des forces sous-jacentes à l'origine de ces transformations profondes du paysage économique. Souvent l'achar ou la vente d'une société ne se réduit pas à une décision qui se justifie d'un point de vue économique, mais constitue une décision stratégique indispensable, garantissant à l'acheteur ou au vendeur sa propre survie. Surrout lors de périodes économiques incertaines, l'acquisition d'entreprises peut représenter un investissement intéressant et améliorer le positionnement de marché par rapport à la concurrence, ce qui peur conceder un avantage décisif lors de la reprise conjoncturelle. Le but du séminaire est de sensibiliser les participants aux conditions gammissant le succès des achais et ventes d'entreprises et de les familiariset avec les aspects financiers, juridiques et fiscaux. Organisé avec la collaboration des meilleurs specialistes et conçu de manière pratique, il doit vous permettre de mener à bon port de telles opérations décisives pour l'avenir de voure entreprise.

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Korean Says U.S. Seeks to Co-Inspect tion of nuclear plants. But no timetable has been set.

#### Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

South Korea wants to inspect a North Korean muclear plant at Yongbyon, 90 kilometers (about 60 SEOUL - The United States wants to take part in inspections of suspected nuclear plants in North Komiles) north of Pyongyang. In return it has offered to rea, the South Korean ambassador to Washington was

quoted as saying Thursday. "It is reasonable that the United States demands it inspect North Korea's nuclear facilities as a U.S. military base is to be subject to the South-North inspection," the domestic Yonhap news agency quoted Ambassador Hyun Hong Choo as saying. "Both countries were under consultations on this

matter," Mr. Hyun added. "Needless to say, it must be

W AST No. ON - Friday W discussed with North Korea." Mr. Hym was in Second for a meeting of the chiefs of South Korea's overseas missions. He said that if North Korea continued to refuse to open its nuclear plants to inspection, the issue would be handed over to the UN Security Council, Yonhap and other news agencies

The Koreas, still formally at war since 1950, reached reported. an agreement last month making their peninsula free of nuclear weapons and providing for mutual inspec-

open Kunsan Air Base, a major U.S. military installation, to the North's scrutiny. South Korea and its allies fear that North Korea, the world's last remaining hard-line Stalinist state, is playing for time while it either completes weapons development or hides unacceptable facilities.

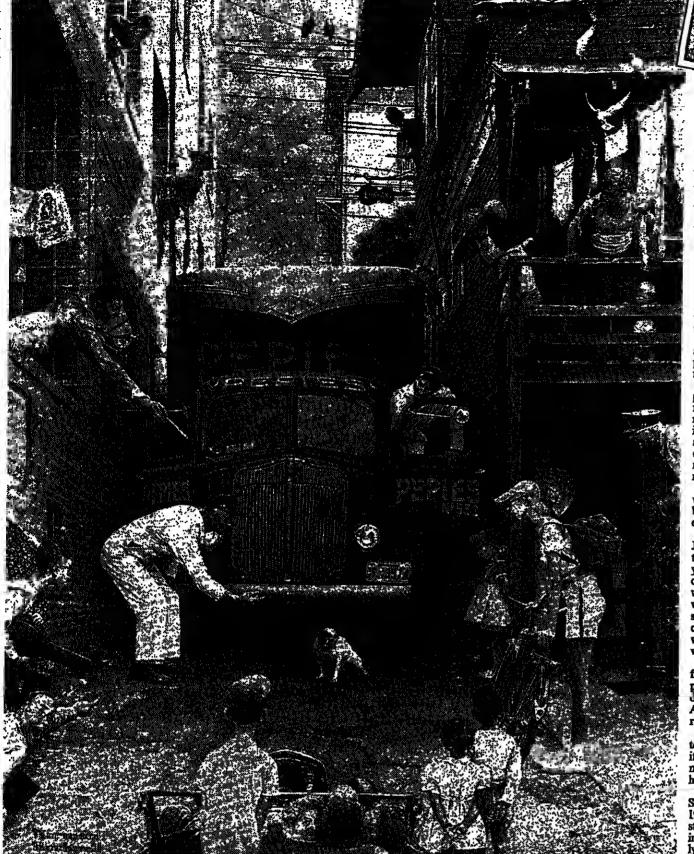
South Korean officials have said that Seoal and Washington may seek United Nations economic sanctions against Pyongyang unless it opens up its nuclear plants within months.

In Secul, the U.S. assistant secretary of defense, James R. Lilley, told the South Korean defense minister, Choi Sae Chang, that the United States would stick to its plan to halt the withdrawal of troops from South Korea until North Korea ceased to pose a nuclear threat, according to a South Korean Defense (Reuters, AFP, AP) Ministry spokesman.

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### Norman Rockwell in Japan



Rockwell's "Traffic Conditions," painted in 1949; above right, detail from "The Referee (The Toss)," 1950.

### Back Off, Impressionists! Tokyo **Discovers an American Icon**

#### By Andrew Ranard

OKYO - American cultural icons are so ubiquitous in Japan that it's amazing no one thought of it be-fore: a retrospective of Norman Rockwell's works in the land of the Chrysan-themum, James Dean, Marilyn Monroe and the Smert

the Sword. But now that the show is here, there is yet

another enigma to deal with concerning Ja-pan. Norman Rockwell? Until the show ar-rived, few Japanese had heard of him. The exhibition, which includes 90 oil paintings, charcoal drawings, and sketches, runs through March 31 at the Isetan depart-

nent store in Tokyo, then travels to museums in Osaka and Nagoya. Judging from the four-and-five-people-deep lines of viewers at the exhibition and the "Kawaii!" ("How cute!") remarks, giggles and smiles, the show is a

remarks, giggles and smiles, the show is a resounding success. How did the Japanese miss out on Rock-well while assimilating so effortlessly base-ball, jazz, Santa Claus, Valentine's Day, fast-est food, and retro-'50s American nostalgia? It could be Hollywood, according to a Japanese couple with two howing children in tow at the exhibition. This family lived six years in Connecticut and seemed straight out of a New House chorycing mall. The hughand of a New Haven shopping mall. The husband was wearing jeans and an argyle sweater; the wife, a preppie-plaid skirt and crimson sweater; both were in moccasins and duffel

sweater; both were in moccasins and duffel coats. Had they gotten naturalized, they would have been perfect fodder for a Rock-well painting called "The New Immigrants." "Japanese get their ideas about America from movies and fashions," the wife ex-plained. The husband added with a certain inaccance pride, "This is the good, old America. In the paintings the people looked relaxed and confident."

Akira Sato, the Isetan manager who put together the show, attributes lack of familiar-ity with Rockwell to the well-known Japa-nese interest in French Impressionism, which has overshadowed other Western art.

Kockweits mist cover mustration for The Saturday Evening Post occurred as early as 1916, when he was 22. Rockwell's success straddled six decades, and in fact many of his immortal images were painted (often original-ly as oils and then adapted as illustrations for magazines) in the '20s, '30s, and '40s. It was not until after World War II that Japan went gaga (some wish they hadn't) over America. Strangely, however, Rockwell, chronicler

of parochial American life, is perceived as being "universal" by Japanese, to quote spec-tators. "Warmhcarted," many beaming view-ers called the show, and none expressed diffi-culty in apprehending Rockwell's "story-ultion human"

telling humor." Rockwellian nostalgia for a purer, more innocent past goes down well with Japanese. Sentiment for the old days, the hometown, the indulgences of childhood, and the ex-tended family where Grandpa and Grandma tell limit at home are straight of the Innormal still lived at home are staples of the Japanese emotional compass. Many Japanese perceive the pressures and brutishness of urban life, overwork and overproduction, as threats to

humane living. A 61-year-old retired businessman wear-ing a cap and a windbreaker with "Racing ing a cap and a windorencer with "Racing Grand Prix" stitched across the back pointed out the paintings he liked. "Petticoats and Pants" (1918), showing a man in a Scottish kilt observing a young girl in a military-style outfit, wearing pants, with her nose in the air, was one. "When I was a boy we never imag-ined it would be like it is today in Japan," he wid "The girl in pants is just like where said. "The girl in pants is just like young Japanese girls today." "Family Home From Vacation" (1930), which shows an exhausted family sleeping on a bus station bench, was "Just like Golden Week in Japan" — when millions of Japanese frantically rush off for their annual vacations, jamming highways and airports, collapsing in despair.

UT "Volunteer Fireman" (1931) was his favorite. It shows a neighborhood fireman and a gleeful boy rushing off to a fire against a burn-ing glow. "Fires and quarrels were the flow-ers of old Edo [Polynd," he quoted an old proverb. "In the old Edo every district had in submitter fire accurate." volunteer fire group." Even as Rockwell was chronicling Ameri-

Even as Rockwell was chronicling Ameri-ca's golden years in gushing, propagandistic color, he was canny. His drawing of a sales-man trying to sell a refrigerator to Eskimos, "The Export Salesman" (1964), doesn't seem very funny today, nor does "Marry Christ-mas, drauding. . . . We Came in Our New Plymouth" (1950) — the all-American family with arms full of consumer gifts. You've got to hand it to Rockwell, though: He inspired Americans to buy war bonds with his images during World War II; today he's an eminence grise of American open-heartedness and goodwill.

heartedness and goodwill.

Andrew Ranard is a Tokyo-based writer.



By Michael Z. Wise Washington Post Service

ALZBURG - Having barely wrapped up the bicentennial com-memoration of Mozart's death, Salzburg is marking the anniversary of the demise of another artist, Stefan Zweig, who met a tragic end in exile 50 years ago. "My work has been burned to ashes in the

very country where my books found millions of readers," Zweig wrote shortly before he and his wife committed suicide in Brazil on Feb. 22, 1942. "Now I do not belong any-where, everywhere a stranger and at best a

Zweig was at home here from 1919 until 1934 and wrote many

1934 and wrote many of his novellas, biogra-phies and essays at his villa on the Kapuziner-berg, a gathering place for artists and intellec-tuals including James Joyce, Thomas Mann, Arturo Toscanini and H. G. Wells, Following threats and an unsettling police search of his house, Zweig fled abroad to escape the rise of Nazism.

Largely forgotten Stefan Zweig

among English-speak-ing readers in recent decades, Zweig was one of the world's most widely read writers be-tween the two world wars. "Stefan Zweig has

tween the two world wars. "Stefan Zweig has suffered . . . a darker eclipse than any oth-er famous writer of this century," the author John Fowles has observed. While he recalled Mozart's birthplace with nostalgia in his oft-quoted memoir, "The World of Yesterday," Zweig became increas-ingly oppressed by its anti-Semitic atmo-sphere, writing to friends that Salzburg was the city "where Nazism was strongest," the place that "humiliated me." Upon depart-ing, he chose not to look back, because "like my ancestor Lot in the Bible, I knew that all behind me was dust and cinders, the past solidified into bitter salt."

solidified into bitter salt." Today Salzburg is seeking to help revive Zweig's legacy. Deputy Mayor Herbert Farta-cek said at the opening of a lavish exhibition devoted to Zweig's memory. "This city has neglected to celebrate a great writer for 50 years and we cannot make it up in this year

WEIG'S prodigions output re-mains in print in its German origi-nal. Among the volumes filling sev-cral feet of shelf space in Austrian bookstores are the fictional works "The Burning Secret," "The Royal Game" and "Amok," as well as studies of the Dutch humanist Erasmus, Marie Antoinette, Napo-léon's police minister Joseph Fouché and

The Salzburg Film Center is showing cine-matic versions of Zweig's short stories, three theaters are dramatizing his works in the coming months and a Stefan Zweig Academy will be founded later this year to promote his humanist and pacifist ideals. "For a Europe of the Spirit" is the title of the Zweig exhibition, at Herbert von Kara-jan Platz. Posters billing it display a drawing of the courtly man of letters peering through binoculars, one lens focused on the European continent, the other on a man nuzzling the breast of a nude woman. These images highlight his desire for nationalism to be supplanted by a greater European consciousness, as well as his sensitive handling of themes such as lust and obsessional love that carned him the esteem of a fellow Viennese, Sigmund Freud. Like Freud, Zweig was a proudly scinlar Jew and a model for members of the affluent and cosmopolitan German-speaking Jewish communities decimated by Hitler. Zwa noted in his memoirs that "nine-tenths of what the world celebrated as Viennese calture in the 19th century was promoted, non-ished, and created by Viennese Jewry." As fascism swept the continent, Zw As fascism swept the continent, Zweig an guished over humanity's future. He died it spaining at the loss of his European home leaving behind a note declaring: "May your the dawn after this long night! I, all a impatient, go before you."





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#### Directed by Xavier Beauvois. France.

Beauvois, in his first feature film, has done a study of a family with no future, an occlipal drama set in northern France. The mother (Bulle Ogier) nurses her handicapped daugh-ter (Agnès Evrard), the father (Bernard Verley) nurses his bottle, running himself to ruin and humiliation. Nobody in this house can face anybody else; they lead muffled, loveless lives, eves trained on the TV. Ogicr and Verley are amazing actors, they illuminate these drab charactors. Bertrand, the adolescent son (played by Beauvois), is the only one with a dream — he wants to go to sca, and there's some hope that he might break out of the stifling home. So should Beauvois for a brighter future. (Joan Dupont, IHT)

#### Memoirs of an Invisible

Directed by John Carpenter. U. S.

What you see is what you get here. A light romantic adventure with Chevy Chase as its transparent hero, it's mainly about special effects sleight of hand, a lot of Oh!-Wow! gimcracks that prove the obvious: Chase is all too casily seen through. He's not really acting, he's playing grown-up peeka boo. Based on a first novel by H. F. Saint, "Memoirs" is not a remake of the 1933 morality tale, but a yuppie mea calpa movie about a stock analyst whose self-indulgence makes him as ephemeral as an elec-

tronic transfer of funds. Chase becomes the subject of Sam Neill's Invisible Man-bunt after his molecules are fluxed (or maybe it was flushed) in an accident at Magnascopic Research Laboratories, a company with investment potential and big government connections. But when Neill attempts to capture him, the Invisible Man casily cludes him. Equipped with infrared goggles and other hightech paraphernalia, Neill continues to pursue his quarry, who by now has found a staunch ally in Daryl Hannah. They make a sweet couple, but we can't help wondering what she sees in him. Mechanically directed by scare-meister John Carpenter, these sequences lack momentum and U. S. suspense. Ironically, this is also

due to Neill's estimable acting skills. Chase hasn't quite made

the leap from camera-mugging boob to sensitive romantic lead.

Directed by Lol Creme. U. S.

You know a film's in trouble

when a tree has all the best lines. Aloysius (Paul Camp-

bell), the movie's sweetly sim-

ple-minded hero, keeps up a running dialogue with the artic-

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trees, cows, shrubs, cricket balls — and he's upstaged by them all Aloysius is the village idiot

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(Rita Kempley, WP)

sighs with exasperation. "There's nothing 1 hate more than a born-again bush," he says. The real trouble starts when Aloysius becomes in-volved with an insatiable German tourist named Inga (Julie T. Wallace), a busty dominatrix, more terrorist than tourist, and the innocent madman is defenseless against what the Tree calls her "Pum-Pum" power. The Tree, who's a tad jeal-ous, doesn't like her. When we're allowed to focus on the likable main character and his milieu, the movie is fairly pain-less. (Hal Hinson, WP)

The Mambo Kings

#### Directed by Arne Glimcher.

About halfway through this adaptation of the novel by Oscar Hijuelos, there is a brief mo-ment in which all of the elements work as they were meant to. At a wedding reception, Ce-lia Cruz, the veteran salsa performer who appears as a Harlem nightclub owner, can't restrain her good feelings. Yet the Cuban-born Cruz is a figure of light and shadow, a one-woman definition of chiaroscuro. Although the sequence is a good one, it probably should have been cut and burned. It suggests everything that is oth-erwise missing from "The Mambo Kings," a handsome production that has been directed with no clan whatsoever by Ame Glimcher, the New York art-world figure. There is a lot of music in "The Mambo Kings," but it seldom animates this tale of two Cuban brothers who, in 1952, come to New

York to cash in on the popularity of the Latin beat. Like its title, "The Mambo Kings Play Songs of Love," the novel has been boiled down and unimaginatively straightened out in Cynthia Cidre's screenplay. But the novel's heart and soul have vanished.

(Vincent Canby, NYT)

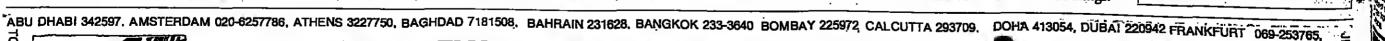
#### Amazon Directed by Mika Kauris-maki. Finland.

This Finnish film made in Brazil with a mostly English-lan-guage sound track, is another exotic-looking, earnestly considered plea by well-meaning outsiders to save the Amazon rain forest. The director is Mika Kaurismaki, the brother of Aki Kaurismaki, Finland's betterknown director. By any Kauris-maki standards, "Amazon" is quite conventional, though it has a nicely casual way of dealing with the cliches of the screen's pro-environment literature. The story is about a Finnish bank executive who, after the death of his wife following an automobile accident, flees to Brazil with his two teenage daughters. Robbed of his financial assets on the streets of Rio, the fellow takes off with his daughters to the interior, where he suffers all sorts of indignitics and has at least one epiphany. He lives with a tribe of Stone Age Indians who teach him about nature and finds love and redemption in a tiny diamondmining village. "Amazon" is not the most exciting movie ever made, but it doesn't push. The English dialogue is flat-footed. (Vincent Canby, NYT)



Chevy Chase is visibly occupied with Darryl Hannah in "Memoirs of an Invisible Man," top right. Clockwise, Bernard Verley and Xavier Beauvois in "Nord," Julie T. Wallace focuses on Paul Campbell in "The Lunatic," and Maruschka Detmers with Antonio Banderas in "The Mambo Kings,"

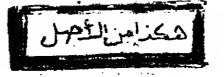
What's all the rage on Long Island? (Is this important? Of course not.) According to Sarah Lyall of The New York Times, it's big hair, or hair that rises an unnatural distance above the forchead. This particular hairstyle does not exist in Manhattan, and some people feel it's a little, well, people real is a mue, weil, unsophisticated. It appears the South has big hair too, but it's different, it's horizontal. Joel Moore, who has a hair salon in Georgia, says of Long Island: "In areas like that, people haven't progressed out of the bilevel era of hair."











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### **Too Many Discounts Confuse** Consumer

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To Keep Executives Busy in Their Offices?

#### By Roger Collis

N today's buyers' market for business travel, many corporations are spending more management time on finding travel bargains than doing business when they get there, according to Stanley Zilch, chairman of Blue Skies Travel Re-search Institute in Broken Springs, Colorado. And business strategy often stems from travel opportunities. Travel discounts are chang-ing patterns of international business. Stanley and I are intimate enemies from my corporate days. So I called to ask what he

an awful lot of leverage. Hotels too. Occu-pancy levels in the States fell to 62 percent, ess than break-even. That is a lot of leverage. What's happening is that companies are put-ting all that leverage to work by smarter punchasing of travel services."

"Absolutely. Even straightforward trips ---such as Paris to Los Angeles — can involve heavy management decisions. Do you fly Air France to earn the last 5,000 miles that you need for a free round-trip ticket between North America and Europe on United Air-North America and Europe on United Ar-lines' Mileage Phus program? Or American Airlines via Dallas to top up your AAdvantage miles for e free Caribbean cruise? Pay with American Express at the Hilton and get dou-ble points in the hotel program. Or get the corporate rate somewhere else. Then you might want to fly KLM through Amsterdam for a fore construct neckers. And if your most for a free stopover package. And if you want to rent a car you have as many options as possible moves in a game of chess: fly/drive and fly/stay/drive packages; discounted rack rates; nondiscounted pre-booked rates. And

so it goes. "This is why travel management has be-come an end in itself, rather than a means to an end. Instead of asking: Is all my travel really necessary? people are traveling more often just in order to save money. I am therefore I travel: I travel therefore I am."

are easy to get to and where they can get the best deals. The hassle factor is important. People are looking for user-friendly airports and convenient schedules. Remember the number one rule for business travel is never to do business in the office you are visiting, but constantly be on the phone to somewhere else. It's one way to beat jet lag — or pass on your jet lag to somebody else. And keep people in the subsidiaries on their toes. We cell it Management by Absence. So from the business point of view, it doesn't really matter where you travel, if the price is right."

"This is why it makes sense for my English friends to meet me in New York. It's cheaper for them than flying from London to Nice." "You got it. That's another thing about bargain travel — companies often find it is

more cost-effective to keep around 50 percent of executives on the road rather than at their desks. There is widespread recognition that foreign travel, especially to conferences, has made e major contribution toward full executive employment. I mean there are tens of thousands of executives flying around, and attending conferences, who might otherwise be standing in line et employment agencies and executive soup kitchens.

"As more companies change from centralized, functional types of organizations into decentralized, divisional ones made up of profit centers, or business units, they are shedding up to 30 percent of their staff. In fact, up to 50 percent of personnel can be

Casualties in a major reorganization. "Instead of fining these people, however, many companies find it more cost-effective to send them out on the road or the conference circuit. It's a question of balancing travel costs against the expense of golden handshakes.

"What's more, companies are finding that they can cut overhead costs by allocating one office to several executives. There are special computer programs for this. We find inven-tory control software is useful in working out the probability of any one manager needing the office on a given day."

"But to come back to the mechanics of travel: what can we do to keep track of dis-counts through a maze of airline and hotel tieins, corporate rates and bonus offers?"

"You're talking about our new super CRS, which should come on stream in the summer."

"A computer reservations system?"

"No, we call it a consumer research sys-tem. Wo eater your personal profile, likes and dislikes, what discounts you already have, whether you are primarily interested in saving money, or comfort and convenience. We search through the jungle of options for the best deal for you.

"You should join our frequent-flier pro gram called The Program of Programs, It's based on membership in all of the 40-odd airline and hotel frequent-flier and frequentstayer programs. The big payoff at one million expense-account miles is two weeks in the

**On the Trail of Piero della Francesca** (and much of the Old) celebrates the first voyage of Columbus, the newly created Piero della Francesca Foundation is planning e series of exhibitions, conventions and restorations to commemorate the 500th anniversary of the death of Sansepolero's most illustrious son, which occurred on the same day um's permanent collection. that Columbus set foot in the Americas.

The artist's hometown will have an exhibi-tion, entitled "Nel Raggio di Piero," that will trace the reciprocal influences between the artist and the limpid, hill-rippled landscape of Sansepolero and Arezzo that so often appears as background in Piero's works.

In Urbino, where Piero executed several of his most important works for the enlight-

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#### Wheels Indispensable

Do rent a car if you don't have one. Arezzo is easy to reach by train or bus, but it is virtually impossible to visit Arezzo, Sansepolcro and Monterchi in a day by mublic transportation.

#### **Restorers at Work** Don't be disappointed if up to half of

ened duke, Federico da Montefeitro, the Ducal Palace (today the Urbino National Gallery) that Piero helped to design will have "Piero in Urbino: Piero at the Court." Naturally, the show will feature the "Madonna di Scnigallia" and the enigmatic "Flagella-zione," both of which are part of the muse-

And despite the often inert bureaucracy that governs Italian museums, Urbino's superintendent of fine arts, Paolo dal Poggetto, is also hoping to convince the directors of Florence's Uffizi Gallery to lend Piero's diptych portrait of Federico da Montefeltro and his wife, Battista Sforza, and the directors of Milan's Brera Gallery to send "Vergine, il

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panel painting). A time exposure shot from a tripod — or even a steady hand — will faithfully reproduce light and color.

#### Remember Rimini

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Do take a side trip from Urbino to Rimini (route 423 north toward Pesaro, then A14 to Rimini, approximately 75 minutes) to visit the 15th-century Tempio Malatestiano that Leon Battista Alberti designed for Sigismondo Pandolfo Malatesta, the lord of Rimini. Piero della Francesca frescoed the scene of the Rimini ruler kneeling before his patron, San Sigismondo of Bohemia, still visible in the church's reliquary chapel.

bambino, santi, Federico da Montefeltro orante" (Virgin, child, saints, Federico da Montefeltro praying) for the occasion. Both the Sansepolero and Urbino shows are scheduled to open toward the end of June and to close on Oct. 31, coinciding with the height of the tourist tide.

In Arezzo, technicians from Florence's Opificio delle Pietre Dure are already hard at work on an extensive state-of-the-art resto-ration of Piero's fresco cycle "The Legend of the True Cross" in the Church of San Francesco. Considered by many to be his masterpiece, the still legible fresco has suf-ferred external main color to a public a public. fered several major color losses as well as an eruption of mineral saits. It has already been subject to a two-year comprehensive scien-tific analysis — a diagnostic tour de force that cost the restoration's sponsor, the Banca Popolare d'Etruria, 3 billion lire (\$2.5 million) and whose results were presented two years ago in Florence and Rome.

Piero's "Madonna del Parto," a depiction of the pregnant Madonna that Piero fres-coed in the humble chapel in his mother's birthplace of Monterchi, is also under restoration for the quincentennial year. Florence, where Piero's presence was documented in 1439, when he was listed as an assistant in Domenico Veneziano's workshop in a bill of payment, is also planning a show for au-tuma. "A School For Piero: Light And Color" will recreate the visual and artistic environment that Piero may have assimilated during his apprenticeship with Veneziano in the city of the Medicis.



#### By Ken Shulman

ANSEPOLCRO, Italy - Even with a good map, it is easier to miss the Tuscan hamlet of Monterchi than to find it. And were it not for the small yellow arrow pointing toward an isolated, unimpressive chapel perched above a long field of green tobacco, few visitors would think of stopping there. As it is, Piero della Francesca's "Madonna del Parto" still draws more expectant mothers in search of benediction than tourists, even tourists who have come to Italy expressly in search of art. Born between 1415 and 1420 in Borgo San

Sepolero (today Sansepolero in the province of Arezzo), Piero della Francesca was the Renaissance's greatest master of light and space. An accomplished mathematician as well as painter, Piero synthesized his intimate knowledge of geometry with the color-ing techniques he learned while working in the bottega of Domenico Veneziano to create an entirely new concept of perspective in painting.

Incepticably neglected by scholars until the present century (Giorgio Vasari ex-cepted), the limpid, brilliant, screnely ordered art of Piero della Francesca has exercised a powerful influence on painters beginning with Perugino, Luca Signorelli

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London Barbican Centre (tel: 638.4141). To May 4: "Van Gogh In England: Portrait of an Artist as a Young Man." London Centers on 1873 to 1876, when the Hayward Gallery (tel: 261.0127). To April 20: "Doubletake: Collective Memory & Current Art." Twenty-three International artists' works comprise this large avroation of conartist was in England. comprise this large exposition of con-

temporary art. Royal Festival Hall (tel: 928.36.41). To March 8: "Croatia: The Cost of Conflict." An exhibition of photo-graphs depicting the damage to Cro-graphs depicting the damage to Crotie's cultural monuments and historical sites due to war.

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and Giovanni Bellini, continuing to Cezanne and Seurat, and proceeding into this century with Picasso, Braque, Di Chirico, and even Milton Glazer, who last year was the subject of an exhibition here that illustrated his visual debt to Piero.

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675.1153). To May 17: "From Bellini to Tintoretto." More than 200 paint-ings by 14th- and 15th-century Padu-

Palazzo Pitti (tel: 21.34.40). To March 13: Exhibition examines vari-

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#### CANADA

National Gallery of Canada 990.1965). To May 24: "Sara mond: Memories Revisited, Hi Retold." A retrospective of works, which examine the s women in modern social and nomic history.

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Louisiana Muaeum (tel: 42,19.07.18). To April 26: Oil paintings, watercolors, graphic works and illustrations from the permanent Edward Hopper Collection of the Whit-ney Museum of American Art in New York. To May 24: Retrospective of 200 provocative photos from the '70s and '80s by Robert Mapplethorpe.

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Irish Museum of Modern Art (tel: 718.666). To March 15: Works by Joseph Beuys, the controversial avant-garde sculptor and perfor-

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Lausanne Musée de l'Elysée (tel:617.4821). To March 29: "Arnold Newman: Five Decades" features portraits by the American photographer. Centro de Arte Reine Sofla (tel: 467.5062). To March 16: Theatrical-Zurich ly nostalgic works of the young Amer-ican artist, Robert Gober.

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UNITED STATES

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Knoedler & Company (tel: 794.0550). To March 19: "Group Ex-hibition." Includes major works by Nancy Graves and Robert Mother-

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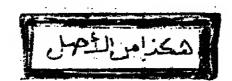
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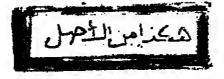
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### WALL STREET WATCH **SEC Offers Shareholders More Say Over Directors**

Innovative thinking from

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#### By Bret D. Fromson Washington Post Service

EW YORK — In an unprecedented ruling, the Securi-tics and Exchange Commission has given shareholders in Excon Corp. the right to force the company to establish a special panel to oversee the performance of its directors. As a result of the SEC decision, Excon must allow its A character of the second of t shareholders to vote on a proposal by a shareholder-rights activist that would require the oil company to appoint a commit-tee to review and grade the directors.

The proposal was submitted by Robert A.G. Monks, president of Institutional Shareholder Partners Inc. and a noted sharehold-er activist who ran unsuccessfully for a seat on the Sears, Roebuck & Co. board last

Exxon shareholders

will get to vote on a

proposal to

The SEC rejected Exxon's legal arguments to exclude the proposal from proxy material to be sent out to shareholders in advance of this year's anni-

al meeting. The decision is likely to inestablish and fund an crease shareholder pressure on the management of publicly oversight body.

held companies.

"This is absolutely unprecedented," said Nell Minow, a direc-tor of Institutional Shareholder Services Inc., an advisory firm to large investors. "For the first time, shareholders have a chance to set up a watchdog panel to oversee the directors, and their vote will be binding on management."

According to specialists on proxy voting, the proposal is not likely to win passage this year. But, they said, this is typical for path-breaking shareholder proposals. "Normally, proposals get more votes as investors get used to the idea," Mr. Minow said.

If approved by a majority of shareholders, the proposal would require that Exxon establish and finance a three-person review panel. The members would be paid half of the annual compensation given to Exxon board members, who receive at least \$40,000. The company also would be obliged to finance the panel's activities up to a penny per share, or about \$12 million a year. In addition, members would be indemnified from hitigation, as are board members.

XXON ALSO would be obliged to provide room for up to E a 2,500-word report from the panel in its proxy statement listing directors up for election. One source with knowl-edge of the case said, "This is the first time that the SEC has approved a mechanism that gives shareholders the qualified people and financial resources to keep an eye on what the

company is doing with their money." Exxon will urge shareholders to reject the proposal. In proxy materials to be sent out to shareholders, management argues that the company has performed well and that a committee to watch the board would "be needlessly cumbersome and expensive."

The members of the three-person panel would be nominated by Exxon's largest shareholders and elected by all shareholders. To make a nomination, a shareholder or group of shareholders must have owned \$10 million of common stock for at least three vears.

Last month, the SEC undertook another strategy to give shareholders a bigger voice in the running of corporations. The agency wrote letters to 10 companies telling them to allow shareholders to vote on executive pay and related issues. Excon was not one of the 10, which included International Business

Machines Corp., Chrysler Corp. and Eastman Kodak Co. Various shareholder proposals had been made at the 10 com-panies, and the SEC asked that they be included in upcoming proxy materials.

The issue of high executive pay in the United States recently has drawn attention because of the weak economy and considernbers of la offs at n Breeden, the SEC chairman, said he was acting on the salary issue to ward off action by Congress, which might be even more restrictive for the companies.

### Kohl Is Unlikely to Rescue Trade Talks

Herald Eribune.

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By Richard E. Smith International Herald Tribuse FRANKFURT --- If Germany's allies are counting on Chancellor Helmut Kohl to save the Uruguay Round of world trade talks from looming disaster, they are likely to be disappointed

German diplomats and analysts on Thursday said they doubted that the German chancellor could rescue the long-stalled GATT negotiations even if he wanted to.

Many of Germany's trading partners, in-cluding the United States, are boping that Mr. Kohl can "deliver" François Mitterrand, a longtime friend, by convincing him that world trade expansion is more important than the farm subsidies that are blocking Mr. Kohl appears to be well aware that

French obstinacy over the subsidies is one of the main reasons why the Uruguay Round is in crisis. Germany also knows that if it were to confront France on the issue in the European Community, there would be a much greater chance that the EC would agree to a compromise that would allow the talks to conclude successfully.

But German analysis said Mr. Kohl, as a wily pragmatist with an instinct for the limits of the possible, is likely to do all he can to avoid facing France head on. If France de-cides not to budge, Germany will not be able to sway it and therefore will not try, they said. "Americans and others have long overesti-

mated Germany's ability to influence French policy," said Bernhard May, an analyst with the Research Institute for Foreign Policy in Bonn

"If it is a choice between France and the Urugnay Round, there are many reasons why Germany will opt for France," he said.

German policymakers are clearly frustrat-ed with the French intransigence and have issued a stream of statements calling for a successful end to the talks. But so far there have not been any public attacks on France from the highest official German circles. A government spokesman, Dieter Vogel,

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STOCKHOLM — Scandinavian Airlines System posted a pretax loss on Thursday of 1.22 billion kronor (\$203 million) for 1991 and said it stood to lose up to 2 billion kronor on its ill-fated venture into

The carrier, owned 50 percent by the governments of Sweden, Norway and Denmark, said it had signed a letter of intent to sell its 40 percent stake in Intercontinental Hotels to Japan's Saison Group,

President Jan Carlzon estimated the airline would lose between 1.5

billion and 2 billion kronor on its hotel effort, but he did not specify

if any of those losses were included in the 1991 results. SAS paid

some \$500 million for its stake in Intercontinental two years ago. "With hindsight it is obvious that it would have been much better

if we had not made these investments," Mr. Carlzon said. The pretax loss of 1.22 billion kronor compared with a loss of 763 million in 1990. Sales rose to 32.29 billion kronor from 31.88 billion.

which owns the other 60 percent. Terms were not disclosed.

made it clear this week that Germany was lying low for the moment. He played down the role of the French-German relationship at this stage of the talks and dismissed suggestions that a Group of Seven summit be called to break the deadlock.

Mr. Kohl seems to be furiously trying to avoid the subject with his visit to Washington only two weeks away. There, the Bush admin-istration will surely remind him that he, along with other leaders, pledged at the Houston G-7 summit a year and a half ago to speed along the Universe Round

the Uruguay Round. This is not to say that Germany's choices are easy.

Long the largest exporter in the world, Germany has a great deal to lose if the Uruguay Round's ambitious plans to expand world trade are left to founder.

#### **Germany Seeks Effort** To Aid Eastern Europe

HELSINKI - Chancellor Helmut Kohl said Thursday that Europe's old political di-vide must not be replaced with a prosperity gap and called for a new effort to help poorer East and Central European nations. Mr. Kohl told the Nordic Council, a con-voltative control to the former for the for-

sultative parliamentary group for the five Nordic states, that it was time for the Europe-an Community to prepare a coherent plan for developing relations with Central, Eastern and Southeastern Europe. He said he had in mind an updated version of the Organization for European Economic Cooperation, which coordinated the Marshall Plan aid program after World War II.

"Adapted to today's challenge, a similar all-European steering instrument could provide a decisive signal for renewal," Mr. Kohl said. He said Europe called on other industrialized countries such as the United States and Japan to contribute.

The Bonn establishment would also be deeply unsettled to find itself in defiance of the U.S. and most of the rest of the world on a key aspect of international relations as the new Germany and the new Europe define

themselves on a changing world stage. Nor can Mr. Kohl ignore rising voices at home urging him to get tough with France, even though he does not face elections until

The opposition Social Democrats stepped up a campaign this week calling on Mr. Kohl to intervene with France, and Economics Minister Jürgen Möllemann, a member of the coalition's trade-conscious minority party, has made calls to save the Urugnay Round. It is not surprising that officials in Wash-ington and elsewhere are hoping for some courageous and imaginative diplomacy by Mr. Kohl, the leader of France's closest ally

and largest trade partner. But German analysts stress that none of these factors is sufficient to make it worth endangering the deeper and more vital stakes

in the French-German relationship. Germany needs French cooperation if Eu-rope is to take form in the coming crucial decade along lines that meet German needs, analysts say.

Germany is intent in particular on crafting a stability-oriented monetary system and on stabilizing Eastern Europe through aid and casier\_trade restrictions with Western Europe. France has from time to time frustrated German hopes on both fronts.

In the background, another factor lurks: German war guit traditionally has made Bonn skittish about pushing France too hard. "Germany can talk but it cannot push,

because France is the key toward its reconcil-iation with history," said Norbert Walter, chief economist with Deutsche Bank.

"When the tables are reversed, France has always had a much easier time in pulling the Germans toward its positions," Mr. May said. He noted that France had overcome See GATT, Page 12

**Branson** Near A Deal to Sell Virgin Music snapped up by the majors," said Simon Bazalgette, a media consul-tant with KPMG in London.

By Erik Ipsen International Herald Tribune LONDON — Richard Branson's Virgin Music Group Ltd. is likely to be sold within "the next week or so," a Virgin spokesman said Thursday.

The company said only that discussions were continuing with more than one potential buyer, but it is widely thought that Thom EMI PLC of Britain and Bertelsmann AG of Germany are the two remaining bidders as the battle ap-proaches the final wire.

The sale of Virgin Music Group, at a price estimated at \$700 million to \$1 billion, is expected to free up cash for Mr. Branson's heated bartle with British Airways. Virgin Ating. They said a two-year string of denials that be was interested in lantic Airways now competes head to head with BA on the lucrative North Atlantic and London to Japan routes, having won landing rights at Heathrow Airport only

last year.

budget, although debate in the lower house of parlia-

A host of economic indicators released recently

Even the government, which until recently main-

tained an exceptionally cheery outlook, has conceded the obvious. Last month, the Economic Planning

Agency, which is at the center of the cabinet's deliber-

ations, dropped the word "expansion" from its month-

"If Branson can get the billion dollars he is asking for the compa-ny, who is to say this is not a good Mr. Branson only last week time to sell?" a record industry threatened to sue BA over what he source said. charged was a campaign of "dirty tricks" designed to undermine Vir-Then too, some observers note gin Atlantic's credibility.

that the image of Richard Branson as reluctant seller has long been The sale of the music group, slyly overdone. True, records were the foundation on which his empire which Mr. Branson took private as part of a management buyout in was built, but his own affection for 1988, would mark the passing of the business had limits. the last big independent music

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Thorn usell has recently contrib-nted to that phenomenon, adding the independent Chrysslis label to its Capital and EMI labels last year. Bertelsmann's record hold-ings include Arista, RCA and Zoo. Some analysts questioned Mr. Branson's timing in selling his mu-cic business

The industry has been pretty

badly hit by the recession," noted a

London-based analyst, who cited, among other things, the 11 percent fall in record sales in the big U.S.

Others, however, at least credit-

ed Mr. Branson with sharp market-

selling may have helped to drive up

market in the first half of 1991.

sic business.

"Branson has not been closely "Over the last five years almost all the independents have been wedded to music certainly over the last 10 years," said Mick Brown, the author of a best-selling 1988 biography of Mr. Branson. "The irony is that he never had a musical set of ears as it were."

Instead, Mr. Branson relied on others to spot the talent, only step-

hem up. According to Mr. Brown, Mr. Branson's aritine interests have "absorbed him" since the mid-1980s.

The present attraction of Mr. Branson's music group to potential bidders is summed up by an execu-tive at one of them in one word: hits. including sharply lower construction orders, sluggish first-quarter industrial production, lower Tokyo land prices and bulging inventories — have suggested that the private-sector recovery will be delayed until late Alastair Smellie, an analyst with Shearson Lehman Brothers in London said that music companies had this year and will be weaker than expected. The little else. tankan, the quarterly short-term economic outlook, is due out Friday and is likely to add to the gloom.

"They have very little in the way of fixed assets, and the predictability of their carmings is not brilliant,"

Virgin's stable of hit talent got a major boost last year when Mr. Branson twice outbid his far weightier rivals to sign hugely ex-

See VIRGIN, Page 13

#### **Japan Aiming to Prod Economy** SAS Has \$200 Million Loss By Steven Brull And Exits Intercontinental International Reguld Tribune

ment is expected to resume on March 13, Other measures include urging ntilities to expand capital-investment programs and prodding local governments to launch public works as soon as possible. TOKYO — Trying to combat growing fears that the Japanese economic downtum will be deeper and long-er than once had been thought, key cabinet members of the governing Liberal Democratic Party endorsed a five-point pump-priming program Thursday.

The measures stopped short of calling for another cut in Japan's discount rate and offered little else that has not been already proposed or enacted. Instead, the measures, which will be endorsed by the full cabinet on Friday, appeared to be aimed at shoring up business sentiment and boosting the image of the party before a by-election on Sunday.

The measures endorsed Thursday include a call for early passage of the government's 72.22 trillion yea (\$550 billion) 1992 national budget and spending as much as three-quarters of the total during the first half of the fiscal year, which begins April 1.

ly report on the state of the economy. Few private-Opposition parties, fighting the Liberal Democrats sector economists expect that the government can now over a series of scandals, have blocked passage of the reach its target of 3.5 percent growth next year.

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Source: Reviers.

**BIS Chief Chides Bundesbank** 

By Carl Gewirtz nal Herald Tribune

hotel ownership.

In a rare example of public dis-cord in the closed world of central banking, the Bundesbank was re-buked Thursday, without being specifically named, for playing too passive a role just as deregulation, transvertige and think we know the an-buked Thursday, without being specifically named, for playing too passive a role just as deregulation, transvertige and think we know the an-buked Thursday, without being specifically named, for playing too innovation and structural change are transforming banking and oth-

er financial services. The implicit criticism of the German central bank, among others, was leveled by Alexandre Lamfa-hussy, head of the Bank for Interna-tional Settlements, in a speech at

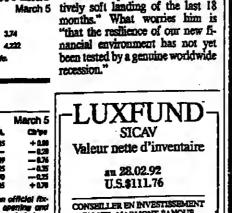
the City University of London. Mr. Lamfaluesy's Basel-based institution functions as the central

bankers' central bank. He said changes in finance pose challenges for central banks in managing monetary policy and ensuing the integrity of the world financial system. His thesis is that these require state agencies. central banks to adopt a more hands-on approach to have a better grasp of what is happening in financial markets, and that can only be acquired by directly supervising banks and actively managing the international payments system. He manage risk.

urged central banks to cooperate and work more closely with other financial supervisory agencies. Unstated in his speech but a ma-jor issue in Europe is the upgrading of the payments system for the Eu-

ropean currency unit, the basket of March 5 EC currencies that is expected to become the common Community-

money within the decade. The central banks of Italy, France and Britain are currently, or are soon expected to be, prepared to provide emergency back-up fa-cilities to private banks participating in the clearing system to assure its smooth functioning. But the Bundesbank remains opposed to providing emergency financing. Although he gave central banks credit for having been "quite good at crisis management," Mr. Lanfahasy noted that "luck has also been on our side in the duration of the ands economic expansion and the relaarch 5 tively soft landing of the last 18 months." What worries him is "that the resilience of our new financial environment has not yet been tested by a genuine worldwide



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"Have the major changes in our in the market and the linkage be-financial structures led to greater tween them." fragility?" he asked. "I don't think we know the an-certainty that central banks will

monetary authorities' active care."

"The growing importance of off-balance-sheet business, particular-He added that "a very large risk, even if improbable, requires pre-ventive action" from what he called ly new back-up facilities and the use of financial futures and swaps, the "guardians of the integrity of makes it increasingly difficult to our financial system." assess direct credit, liquidity and

(Reuters, AP)

Among the 11 leading industrial-ized countries, central banks in fewer than half directly supervise interest-rate risks assumed by any individual financial firm ... not only for the outsider, but even for commercial banks. In this group management, shareholders, audiare Britain, France, Italy, the Nethtors and supervisors."

erlands and, partly, the United States. But in Germany, as well as Japan, Canada, Sweden, Switzer-land and, partly, Belgium, banking supervision is carried out by other Mr. Lamfalussy said he was "worned by the increasing opaqueness of the financial system ... While many firms can, and do, use some of these new techniques as very effective hedging devices, one often wonders Mr. Lamfalossy said he prewhat risks are assumed by the final insurers, and whether they are aware ferred that individual banks be reg-ulated by central bankers, who

of their exposure." must have a good idea of what is going on in every part of a coun-try's financial system in order to He said the scandals surrounding the collapsed Bank of Credit & Commerce SA and the debt-ridden "I am closer to those who advoempire of the late Robert Maxwell

These demonstrated the extensive

#### DAIWA CAPITAL - L.C.F. EDMOND DE ROTHSCHILD INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUND 20, boulevard Emmanuel Servois L-2535 Luxembourg

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Notice is hereby given that the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the shareholders of DAIWA CAPITAL - L.C.F. EDMOND DE ROTHSCHILD INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUND will be held at the registered office of the company on March 16th, 1992 at 12:00 a.m.

#### AGENDA

- Approval of the report of the Board of Directors and the report of the Anditor;
- 2. Approval of the financial statements for the year ended December 31st, 1991;
- 3. Allocation of the net result:
- 4. Discharge to the outgoing directors in respect of the carrying out of their duties for the year ended December 31st, 1991;
- 5. Re-election of the Directors:
- 6. Any other business.

Resolutions on the above mentioned agenda will require no quorum and the resolutions will be passed at a simple majority of the shares present or represented at the Meeting.

A shareholder may act at any meeting by proxy.

On behalf of the Company, BANQUE PRIVEE EDMOND DE ROTHSCHILD S.A. Succarnale de Laxembourg 20, Boulevard Emmanuel-Serva 2535 Loxembourg

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#### NOTICE TO CLAIMANTS

#### Ampletreent of Liquidators

The District Court of Luxembourg, 6th Chamber, on 3 January 1992 appointed B. Smouha of Touche Ross & Co, London, and G. Baden and J. Roden, Attorneys at Law, Luxembourg as Joini Liquidators of Bank of Credit and Commerce International S.A. ("BCCI SA"). A winding up order was also made in respect of BCCI SA by the High Court in England on 14 January 1992. On the same day C. Morris. J.P. Richards, N.R. Lyle and S.J. Akers, all of Touche Ross & Co, London were appointed as Joint Liquidators of BCCI SA by the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry under Section 137 of the Insolvency Act 1095

The Grand Court of the Cayman Islands on 14 January 1992 appointed I.A.N. Wight, R.E. Axford and M.W. Mackey of Deloite Ross Tohmatsu, Cayman Islands as Official Liquidators of Bank of Credit and Commerce International (Overseas) Ltd ("BCCI Overseas") and Credit and Finance Corporation Limited ("CEC")

#### Proposed Pooling Astrangements and Agreements with Majority Stareholders

The Liquidators of BCCI SA, BCCI Overseas and CFC are in the process of sending out letters with summaries of:

e Proposed Pooling Arrangements whereby the assets of BCCI Holdings (Luxembourg) S.A. ("Holdings") and its subsidiaries, BCCI SA, BCCI Overseas and CFC, including branches of BCCI SA and BCCI Overseas, will be pooled and distributed rateably amongst creditors.

· Proposed Agreements with the Government of Abu Dhabi on behalf of the Majority Shareholders of Holdings under which the Government of Abu Dhabi will make funds available for distribution (subject to conditions) to ordinary unsecured creditors of BCCI SA, BCCI Overseas, CFC and Holdings.

The High Court in London will consider whether to approve the Proposed Pooling Arrangements and the Proposed Agreements with the Government of Abu Dhabl at a hearing on 8 April 1992. The courts in Luxembourg and in the Cayman Islands will consider whether to give such approval at hearings to be held on 28 April 1992 and on 30 April 1992 respectively. Creditors may appear or be represented at these hearnos.

If any cisimant has not received the above letter and its attachment by 21 March 1992, or recuires further mation, or intends to appear or be represented at the court bearings, he should contact, for BCCI SA, the Liquidators' Global Creditors Group at P.O. Box 250, 100 Leadenhall Street, London EC3A 3AD, United Kingdom and, for BCCI Overseas and CFC, the Liquidators at P.O. Box 1359, Fort Street, George Town, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, B.W.I.

A Creditors' Committee has been established by the Luxembourg Court. In England an ad hoc Creditors' Committee has been set up. These Committees will be consulted on the Proposed Pooling Arrangements and the Proposed Agreements and their views will be reported to the relevant Court. In the Cayman Islands, il is proposed that a Creditors' Committee be established for BCCI Overseas following the hearing on 30 April 1992. Any creditor who requires to be placed in contact with members of the Luxembourg or English Creditors' Committees should write, for Luxembourg, to The BCCI Creditors' Committee, 25c Boulevard Royal, P.O. Box 46, 2010 Luxembourg and, for England, to The BCCI Creditors' Committee, P.O. Box 550, 100 Leadenhall Street, London EC3A 3AD, United Kingdom.

#### Submission of Claims

The Liquidators will be writing to claimants separately before 30 March 1992 concerning the procedure tor establishing claims (including Special Proof of Debt forms) and there is no requirement for claimants to contact the Liquidators at this time to establish their claims.

This notice ONLY applies to BCCI SA and BCCI Overseas and their branches and to CFC.

THE JOINT LIQUIDATORS OF BCCI SA, BCCI OVERSEAS AND CFC.

cate bank supervision by central banks," Mr. Lamfahassy said. "The banks," Mr. Lamfahassy said. "The opportunities provided by financial prevention of systemic risk can globalization to anyone wanting to hardly be effective without intimate knowledge of the participants put it mildly, lack transparency."

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#### INTERNATIONAL HERALD TRIBUNE, FRIDAY, MARCH 6, 1992

#### **MARKET DIARY**

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

dramatic pullback on the New York Stock Exchange Thursday

amid computer-generated sell or-ders and rumors about financial

problems at Olympia & York De-velopments Ltd., traders said.

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very shaky," said Thomas Gal-

lagher, managing director in charge of capital commitment at Oppen-heimer & Co. "It gets tired and

The Dow Jones industrial aver-

age, which fell 21.69 points on Wednesday, dropped 27.06 points, to 3,241.50. Among the broad

auges, the New York Stock Ex-

change composite index fell 1.74 to 224.92, while Standard & Poor's

500-stock index dropped 2.82 to

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Declines overwhelmed advances

by about a 5-2 ratio. Volume eased

to 205.73 million shares from

206.77 million Wednesday.

needs a correction."

share lost 28 cents.

"It's an old rumor, but bonds

NEW YORK - Stocks staged a

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### Macy Will Close 5 I. Magnin Stores

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NEW YORK (AP) — R.H. Macy & Co. said Thursday that it was closing five I. Magnin stores and more than 50 specialty stores as the retailer begins to pare down as part of its bankruptcy reorganization. Macy decided to close I. Magnin stores "the company felt were not viable going forward," said Michael Freitag of the public relations firm Kekst & Co., which acts as a spokesman for Macy. The company is also shutting all 34 stores in its Fantasies by Morgan Taylor chain, which sells women's lingerie, three of its 37 Aeropostale men's clothing stores, and 15 of 35 Charter Club women's clothing stores.

of 55 Charter Chip women's cooling stores. Macy had been expected to close some stores during its bankruptcy reorganization. Mr. Freitag said the company had not yet considered whether it would close any of its flagship Macy or Bullock's department stores. Macy bought I. Magnin and Bullock's in 1988, adding to an almostly based data burder. already heavy debt borden.

#### **Claims for U.S. Jobless Benefits Drop**

WASHINGTON (Renters) - First-time claims for unemployment benefits fell a larger-than-expected 21,000 in the latest week, the Labor Department said Thursday, providing more hope that the economy may finally be improving.

The department said claims to states for unemployment benefits fell to 437,000 during the week that ended Feb. 22 from 458,000 the previous week. The average figure over a four-week period, which is considered a more reliable gauge, also dropped, to 445,250 from 448,500. The jobless claims report followed several recent economic indicators

showing strength and come a day before U.S. unemployment data for February are due.

#### **U.S. Department Store Sales Rise**

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Retail sales at major U.S. department stores rose in February, the second straight monthly gain, retailers said Thursday, as consumers showed signs of ending their spending drought. Storeowners in all segments of the industry reported gains, with Wal-Mart Stores Inc. leading the pack. But retailers were cautious, because January and February are the least significant months of the retail year.

#### Milken Is Sued by Florida Regulator

TALLAHASSEE, Florida (UPI) — The Florida Department of Insur-ance filed a federal suit against the former junk-bond dealer Michael Milken on Thursday, seeking to recover more than \$225 million in losses

Milken on I hursday, seeking to recover more than \$225 minute in Asses for an insolvent insurance company. Any money recovered would benefit policyholders of Guarantee Secn-tity Life Insurance Co., which state regulators seized last year. The lawsuit alleges that Mr. Milken and his brother, Lowell, violated federal securities law and Florida law by manipulating the market in high-risk "junk" securities; misrepresenting and concealing their actions to encourage investors such as Guarantee in a ngged market, and aiding and abeting others in breaching their fiduciary duty.

#### **Delta to Purchase 9 Airbus Planes**

WASHINGTON (Reuter) - Delta Air Lines will buy nine A310-300 widebody aircraft from Airbus Industrie, for delivery in the first quarter of 1993, Airbas said. Terms of the deal were not disclosed.

The 179-seat planes will operate mainly on Delta's trans-Atlantic routes from New York, Cincinnati, Atlanta and Frankfurt.

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Covia and Galileo, two of the airline industry's leading computerized reservation operations, said Thursday that they planned to merge to form

the first global ticketing system. (AP) Intel Corp. and Atmel Corp. have signed a long-term cross-licensing agreement that includes the settlement of all pending legal actions, the (Renters) two companies said. Terms were not disclosed. (Reuters) News Corp. and its News America Holdings Inc. unit filed a registra-

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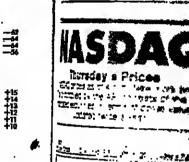
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Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches NEW YORK — The dollar rose in moderate trading on Thursday. but a big gain in Europe evaporated as traders took profits and squared positions ahead of eco-

nomic data due on Friday. The dollar rose to 1.6720 Deutsche marks, up from 1.6684 DM on

#### Foreign Exchange

Wednesday but below the 1.68 high

touched in European trading. Lenny Dendumnen, a trader at Union Bank of Switzerland in New York, said: "There's a fair amount of support at the 1.67 mark level. They tried to push it down but it got back later ... when the dollar rose above 1.68, a couple of large Asian and European sellers came in." Meanwhile, the Canadian dollar,

which had been weak, managed a gain after big Canadian banks announced prime rate increases to 8.25 percent from 7.50 percent, above the half-point that was expected. The prime rate increases followed a rise in the Bank of Canada's key lending rate to 7.71 percent from 7.50 per-cent. The U.S. dollar fell to 1.1866

Canadian dollars from 1.1901. Alan Chase, senior currency trader at National Westminster Bank in London, said most people in the market are bullish about the U.S. employment report for February due Friday. If the figures contradict that view, however, the dollar may drop as low as 1.63 DM, he said.

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lately amid speculation that pay-rolls increased in February and rumors that the previously reported 91.000 decline in January would be revised to a loss of 10,000 jobs. The average forecast is for a rise

down to a 50,000 fall.

ven from 131.65. It rose to 1.5255 Swiss francs from 1.5205 and to 5.6800 French francs from 5.6685. The pound fell to \$1.7175 from \$1.7245. Sterling was pressured by

#### (Continued from first finance page) fundamental German objections with reasonable case on agricultural policy and in financing the EC. At a point when Germany al-

ready appears to some Europeans as a re-emerging colossus, with its high interest rates and its forceful diplomacy in the Balkans, France could play the historical card with some effect if Mr. Kohl were to go on the offensive for the trade round, analysis said.

As a result, Mr. Kohl, rarely a Germany was willing to cut subsi-politician of grand initiatives, may dies for the benefit of the trade lisappoint those who look to him as the savior of the Uraguay Round. "There might be some last-min-

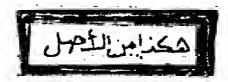
nte diplomacy involving top-level telephone exchanges or a mshed trip by Mr. Kohl to France," said one Bonn diplomat, "but he will not press if Mr. Mitterrand clearly does not want to move." Mr. Kohl already clearly sig-naled to France in October that

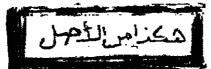
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All that much room to move," one said Economics Ministry official said. will "He cannot drop France, and per-ty haps all he will be able to do will be to make it clear that Germany itself would have wanted a better out-come for the trade talks."

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ald's Corp. have become the latest American

companies to choose Vienna as a base for

operations in the former Communist bloc.

The U.S. Embassy estimates that about

220 American companies are doing business

in Eastern Europe from offices in Austria.

Many companies have added East European

divisions to existing operations formerly

Others, including Mobil Corp., Hewlett-

Packard Co. and Honeywell Inc., are expand-ing already well-established East European

Total U.S. exports to Czechoslovakia,

Hungary and Poland, the countries in which

rose by \$183 million to \$758.8 million be-tween January 1990 and November 1991,

according to Commerce Department figures.

American companies would respond to the political transformation of Eastern Europe by trimming their Vienna offices in favor of

new hranches in Hungary, Czechoslovakia

and Poland, as well as what was the Soviet

Union. But while dozens of Vienna-based

U.S. companies have recently opened joint

ventures or subsidiary operations in these

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**Preussag Reports** Flat Earnings For 4 Months Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

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The company forecast good carnings for 1991-92, although it said individual divisions faced dif-

Mr. Pieper also announced that

Preussag AG had agreed to acquire

Ilsenburg GmbH, a precision-steel

factory. Terms of the deal were oot

disclosed, but Mr. Pieper said an investment of 90 million to 100

million DM would be necessary in

the plant, which currently has an-

nual losses "in the tens of mil-

(Reuters, AFX)

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cent-owned entertainment subsidiary of Philips

Electronics NV, said its profit surged 25 percent last

PolyGram said its net income rose to 446 million

guilders (\$238.4 million) from 357 million guilders in 1990. Sales were up 20.6 percent, to 6.33 billion guilders from 5.25 billion.

Helping results were six albums that sold more

than three million copies each. These included al-burns by U2, Dire Straits and Bryan Adams.

year because of a boost from recorded music.

AMSTERDAM - PolyGram NV, the 80 per-

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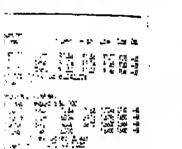
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weather with a drop in the jobless total in the East, to 1.29 million from 1.34 million in January, and in the West, to 1.86 from 1.88 million, without adjusting for seasonal variation.

> Seasonally adjusted figures showed that unemployment in the West was down marginally, to 1.68 million from 1.69 million. The Federal office provides no adjusted statistics for Eastern Germany.

The Economics Ministry reported Thursday that industrial production in Western Germany rose a provisional 5.9 percent in January from the previous month after a drop of 4.2 percent in December. The December data was revised from a provisional drop of 3.1 percent reported last month.

metals and engineering group Preussag AG said Thursday that The ministry said the rise in January was mainly due to a sharp group net profit for the first four months of the fiscal year ending Sept. 30 was 130 million Deutsche increase in construction and manufacturing.

marks (\$78 million), roughly un-In January, the Eastern unem changed from the same period a ployment rate had soared from 11.8 percent in December as government-funded work programs ex-Ernst Pieper, the management pired. It was the largest monthly board chairman, said at a news rise since Eastern Germany set out conference that group third-party sales dropped 7 percent, to 7.3 bil-lion DM. The 1990 business year in mid-1990 on its arduous transition to a free market.

Economists called the February month-to-month improvement a Rolls-Royce Pretax Profit Plunges was shortened to adjust Preussag's accounting year to that of the stateowned engineering group Salzgitter seasonal blip and maintained forecasts that 1992 would end with av-AG, which Preussag took over in

erage annual unemployment slight-ly higher than last year's 1.7 million LONDON - Rolls-Royce PLC, the British aircraft-engine maker, warned Thursday of staff cuts after in the West and 912,800 in the East. Ralph Neuhaus, an economist with the WestLB banking group in its 1991 pretax profit plummeted

by two-thirds due to recession in the airline industry. Düsseldorf, said the slight rise in employment was better than expect-Profit fell to £51 million (\$88.6 ed but not enough to signal renewed million), slightly below analysts' esgrowth in Western Germany after timates, from £176 million. successive economic declines in the last three quarters of 1991.

percent from 17.5 percent.

PolyGram's president.

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But the group pleased the Lon-Economists said that applied don stock market by leaving its dividend unchanged at 7.25 pence equally to the West German indusper share. The company's shares trial production figures. (Reuters, AFP) rose 6 pence to close at 146 pence.

PolyGram's live recording of tenors José Car-

reras, Plácido Domingo and Luciano Pavarotti sing-

ing together reached sales of seven million. The company said it had boosted its share of the

world recorded music market to an estimated 18.5

continued sales growth this year," said Alain Levy,

business, with 1991 operating income of 13 million

PolyGram turned around its North American

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(AP, Reuters)

"Our strong release schedule will help to ensure

structure and communications links have helped it attract managers. Tom Bergmann, a Vienna-based finance manager for Honeywell who spends half of his time away in Russia, Czechoslovakia and Hungary, said, "The company understands that the living conditions in all these coun-

Vienna: Managers' Gateway to the East

Austria's traditional ties with Eastern Europe are cousidered a boon to Vienna-based American

businesses.

tries are low and, as a motivation tool and productivity factor, it's worth it to them to pull me out to Vienna to recover."

Office rents have soared in central Prague and Budapest over the past two years, with well-located properties often costing twice as much as those in Vienna, according to real estate brokers. Continuing uncertainty about the viability of East European markets has led dozens of companies to concentrate their operations in Austria for the time being, now that the initial gold rush atmosphere that followed communism's demise has faded. General Motors Corp. enlarged its 10-year-

old engine and transmission plant on Vien-

international markets.

na's outskirts while also setting up sales com-panies in Czechoslovakia and Poland, but business has been slow.

"I'm disappointed that the economies don't recover faster," said Edwin Kiefer, GM Austria's managing director.

GM still has high hopes for a joint venture to assemble Opel Astra cars at a plant in neighboring Hungary. The first vehicle is due off the assembly line this spring.

Austria's traditional ties with Eastern Enrope were never entirely severed during the Cold War, as Austria maintained political neutrality. Now, those ties are considered a boon to Vienna-based businesses.

"I am recommending that whoever tries working in the Eastern countries should use the historical knowledge and expertise of Austrian people who know how to deal with the East," said Mr. Kiefer.

Coca-Cola, which transferred its East Enropean business to Vienna from Essen, Germany, in 1990, is opening a new headquarters building oext month.

Among the many others who have expanda boom in the region.

#### Lawyer Elected to Head **Polish Central Bank**

The Associated Press WARSAW - The legislature

Rolls-Royce said sales fell 4 per-cent to £3.5 billion as a result of a our position in highly competitive approved Thursday the appoint-ment of Hanna Gronkiewicz-Waltz Rolls-Royce said it expected a as head of the National Bank of recovery in the cyclical civil busi-Poland, ending a nearly three-month conflict between the parlianess, though in the military area a long-term contraction of the busiment and President Lech Walesa. In a vote of 222 to 96, with 35 public and bank law expert to the post of president of the bank. The post was left vacant after the for-

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• Banque Indosnez said it had agreed to acquire 51 percent of Bancapital, a unit of the Spanish financial-services concern Mercapital SA. Indosuez's parent, Compagnie de Suez, owns 30 percent of Mercapital.

· Reed International PLC said its Reed Exhibition Cos. unit had acquired Messe Salzburg AG of Anstria, which organizes trade and public exhibitions, and which had operating profit of 46.2 million schillings (\$3.9 million) on sales of 363.2 million.

· Banco Ibercorp, banking arm of the Ibercorp group, said it applied to a Madrid court for permission to suspend payments after failing to obtain 1.8 billion pesetas (\$17.3 million) it needed to make a loan repayment. · Carrefour SA, the French supermarket chain, said consolidated attribntable net profit declined 10.7 percent, to 1.21 billion French francs (\$216 million), in 1991; revenue rose 32.3 percent to 100.38 billion francs.

• Automobiles Peugeot said it would spend up to 100 million francs on a previously announced plan to service and add improvements to 605 models that had already been sold.

· Eastern German shipyards will require subsidies above the 9 percent allowed under EC Commission rules, said the competition commissioner, Sir Leon Brittan, citing a consultant's report. Reuters, AFX, Bloomberg

#### VIRGIN: Sale Expected to Free Up Cash for Branson's Battle With BA **Heineken Profit Soars Music Sector Boosts PolyGram's Profit On Extraordinary Gain**

(Continued from first finance page) pensive contracts with Janet Jack-

downturn in the civil and military

The chairman, Lord Tombs, said

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son and with the Rolling Stones. "By buying up international tal-ent just before the bidding, a cynic might say, he is fattening up Virgin and then selling it before he has to pay the consequences," said a mu-

sic industry analyst in London. Moreover, Polydor's chief executive, Alain Levy, said of Janet Jack-son's demands, "She was asking for gette.

a hell of a lot of money for a short

time period, which is something I Netherlands, one of the music indon't like to do." Analysts also say that because of

the general industry slump, Mr. Branson was faced with a choice of selling now or having to plow yet more money into the business.

"The independents have good brand names, but they have not been all that successful in turning that into profits," said Mr. Bazal-

In contrast, PolyGram of the

dustry's three largest players, announced Thursday a 20 percent rise in sales and a 25 percent increase in profit. PolyGram's chief financial officer, Jan Cook, cited, among other factors, the "reduced product pany is unlikely to end completely. cost" as a result of the purchase last year of compact disk-making

plants in Germany and France. As a pure software company one that owns no manufacturing

plants or distribution networks ----

Virgin Music lacked that opportunity to squeeze extra profit ont of its sales. Both Bertelsmann and Thorn EMI have that ability, Even after the sale of Virgin Music, Mr. Branson's role in the com-

of Singapore assets. "One of the greatest assets of the Profit rose to 442.9 million guil-company is Richard Branson as a der (\$236.7 million), with a 33.2 mil-figurebead," Mr. Brown said, hon guilder special item. Heineken. When the critical time comes to left its dividend at 3.50 guilders but. sign artists, Branson is brought in to proposed a 5-for-4 stock split, make them feel loved and at home," (AFX. Re-

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NV said Thursday its net income rose 21.1 percent last year with a

boost from a one-time item that

analysts reckoned was the disposal

AMSTERDAM - Heineken

(AFX. Reuters)

#### tinue to be difficult and further ness was likely. staff cuts would be required, al-Sales and margins in the aerothough at a lower level than in space division were lower due to abstentions, the Sejm, or lower pressures on engine prices and a chamber, elected the 40-year-old "The retrenchment measures substantial fall in demand for civil which we have taken will begin to spares, the company said. Rolls-Royce ended the year with show through and 1 expect a steady improvement in our performance an order book of £6.6 billion, up mer president's arrest in September over the next few years," he said. from £5.7 billion in 1990. on charges of fiscal neglect.



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### **Under Rocks Lurk Tomorrow's Drugs**

#### By Andrew Pollack New York Times Service

NEW YORK - Skin of frog, venom of spider and saliva of leech. Ingredients for the witch's brew at the beginning of "Macbeth"? No, they are potential sources of drugs.

The pharmaceutical industry is going back to nature, scouring the oceans for algae, the soil for fungi and the jungles for plants, insects and beasts that might provide chemicals to fight cancer, AIDS and other diseases.

Such chemical prospecting could also provide an economic incentive for preserving rain forests and endangered species, conservationists and drug company executives say.

The resurgence of interest in such natural sources is surprising because biotechnology was supposed to have ushered in the age of "ratiosupposed to have datated in the age of value nal drug design," in which drugs would be formulated using scientific principles, doing away with the need to rely on Mother Nature. Instead, biotechnology has produced tech-

niques that allow drug companies to screen tens of thousands of substances a year in an attempt to find just one that will fight disease.

"The testing procedures have become like factories," said John H. Fried, vice chairman of Syntex Corp. and president of its research division. "You can run a lot of products through." Syntex, based in Palo Alto, California, signed an agreement last year under which science academies in China will supply it with up to 10,000 plant extracts a year for testing. SmithKline Beecham PLC has hired Biotics Ltd., a new British company, to supply it with hundreds of plant extracts each year from the jungles of Ghana and Costa Rica.

The National Cancer Institute, which dropped its natural-drug screening program in the early 1980s, resurrected it a few years ago. It collects nearly 4,000 plant samples each year from around the world, plus thousands more samples of marine organisms.

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Some promising drugs isolated from natural sources are already in development. Cor Therapeutics Inc., a South San Francisco biotechnology company, is testing a drug to prevent un-wanted blood clots. It found the drug by screening the venom of 70 species of snakes. Other companies, including Biogen Inc. and Ciba-Geigy Corp., are developing anti-clotting compounds modeled on agents used by leeches. Magainin Pharmaceuticals Inc. of Plymouth Meeting, Pennsylvania, is developing anti-infec-tion agents modeled after naturally occurring molecules found in frog skin.

Not all natural drugs come from exotic sources. Merck & Co. derived avermectins, which are used to treat parasitic diseases, from a microorganism found in the soil of a Japanese golf course.

Specialists say rational drug design remains the wave of the future, but it has so far proved difficult to design pharmaceuticals from scratch. Millions of years of evolution, meanwhile, have led to the development of many chemical structures that mankind has not even thought of.

Biotechnological techniques, like growing cells in test tubes, have actually spurred the return to

### Putting a Value **On Rain Forests**

#### New York Times Service

With rain forests disappearing and species becoming extinct, many possible sources of drugs may vanish in coming decades. "Nature is still full of all these compounds

that no one really knows what they do," said Thomas Eisner, a professor of biology at Cornell University. "Species are disappearing faster than we are looking chemically."

Conservationists say the potential of natural areas as drug sources could provide an economic incentive for drug companies and citizens of tropical countries to save the forests. Until recently, companies would freely collect samples from rain forests without feeling need to compensate the source country. Now, nations are beginning to realize the

value of their genetic resources, and in some cases are demanding payments. In most cases it can take decades for a drug to reach the market, at which point royalties are paid. Some conservationists say that if rain forests are to be saved, drug companies must make payments up front. As a model, they point to Merck & Co.'s agreement last year to pay \$1 million to the Institute for Biodiversity in Costa Rica in return for the right to prospect for drugs in that country.

natural-product testing by allowing for the de-sign of efficient and highly automated tests. The National Cancer Institute, for instance,

previously tested potential anti-cancer drugs in mice that had leukemia, a combersome process. Now, it grows 60 different types of cancer cells in cultures and can test drug candidates on all of them, performing 20,000 such tests a year. Genetic engineering has also allowed scien-

tists to clone receptors, which are parts of a cell to which proteins bind, setting off some meta-bolic process. Drugs often work by binding to a receptor or by blocking something else from binding. So scientists can test thousands of substances to see which bind to receptors associated with particular diseases.

Screening for drugs this way is like looking for a needle in a haystack, only worse, because finding a usable substance is only the first step in producing a drug.

A plant extract, for instance, might contain thousands of compounds, which have to be labo-nously separated to see which is responsible for making the extract noticeable in a screening test. In addition, the natural substance often has to be modified to make it safer or more effective, or to make it capable of being manufactured.

The search for natural drugs does not automatically mean tiches for those involved. The collection end, in particular, involves lots of work for low pay.

Take the case of Spider Pharm in Black Canyon City, Arizona, a mon-and-pop busi-ness run by Charles and Anita Kristensen that collects spiders and sells their venom to drug

companies. When interviewed last month, the Kristensens had 40,000 to 50,000 spiders on hand, represent-ing more than 20 species, most of them stashed in intic plastic cups in their garage. Milking is laborious work. The spider is an s-

thetized with gas and a tube is stuck beneath its fangs. Then the spider is given an electric shock, which prompts the release of venom. All the while, the spider's mouth is suctioned clean to prevent vomit from contaminating the venom.

Each milking might produce as little as a millionth of a liter. So unsurprisingly, venom is expensive. The venom of black widow spiders can run \$15,000 a milliliter (\$500,000 an ounce). Despite the high prices, Spider Pharm has run up huge debts, Mr. Kristensen said. Indeed, as he spoke, he was preparing to pack his arachnids and move to Pennsylvania to take a job helping American Cyanamid Co. develop insecticides from natural sources. But the Kristensens plan to maintain the spider farm.

### French Economic Program of a Different Color

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as the use of natural resources.

PARIS — If they came to power, they would scrap corporation tax and channel more help to small businesses. The budget would be balanced over the medium term and real interest rates kept low.

This is not the manifesto of the Capitalists' Party, but of the Greens, one of France's two rapidly growing ecologist parties. We're not on another planet, said Alain Lipietz, the party's eco-

nomics spokesman. However, for the handful of policies that would warm a businessman's heart, the Greens have dozens to make him shiver.

Corporation tax, for example, would be replaced by taxes that penalize long-distance transport, incfficient energy use and excessive inequality of wages within companies.

To spur the development of reto toothpaste tubes, and France is gional economies based on small, following suit. "The year 2000 should thus see self-sufficient firms, the Greens would discourage big business by the end of household and industrial waste disposal as we know it," proimposing a sliding-scale tax on invested capital. claims the French environment ministry

Protection of the environment is rapidly moving up the political agenda. Measures under consideration or already decided upon will have a major impact on manufacturers and consumers. The European Community, for

instance, is debating a tax on fossil fuels and other nonrenewable energy sources to dampen demand and help meet its objective of capping emissions of carbon dioxide at 1990 levels by the year 2000.

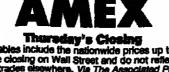
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would cut the working week to 35 hours at once and to 30 hours by the end of the decade.

Working less is also central to the party's goal of relieving unem-ployment. Mr. Lipietz said economic studies over the past 20 But the ecology preached by the Greens goes much further than years show that every hour off the

working week creates, over time, concern for the environment. They 250,000 jobs. also want an end to the "producti-There would be a bill for workvist" philosophy that drives indusing less, however, and the Greens would pay it by trimming the pur-By productivism, the Greens chasing power of those who earn above-average wages.

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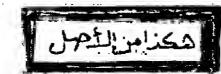
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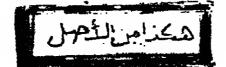
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### Manila Defends Nuclear Deal

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

MANILA - The Philippines defended on Thursday the settlement putting the plant in operation: "The of its bribery suit against Westinghouse Electric Corp., which allows the U.S. company to run a nuclear er get a license in the Unite power plant Manila had previously I am against operating it." declared imsafe.

The deal, announced in New Jer- tlement would provide the country sey Wednesday, will bring \$100 million to the Philippines, but it with needed power. One official said it was the best deal Manila quickly raised some criticism. nickly raised some criticism. could get, adding it would be diffi-Ramon Mitra, speaker of the cult to win the case "during a reces-

House of Representatives and a sion where we would be arguing for

### Philippine Plan Cleared

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MANILA - The board of the International Monetary Fund has formally approved Manila's economic program, allowing lending to the Philippines to resume, Finance Secretary Jesus Estamislao said Thursday.

The approval was needed for the Philippines to proceed with a plan to restructure \$5.3 billion of its commercial bank debt. It also paves the way for the release of the remaining \$80 million of a \$400 million package of Fund credits held since 1990.

The board's approval of the program, which is designed to carb inflation and strictly reduce government spending, was considered a formality after the IMF managing director, Michel Camdessus, endorsed it last month.

The approval can be canceled, however, if the government fails to keep within budget deficit targets set by the Fund, the Philippine central bank governor, Jose Chisia, said.

central bank governor, Jose Chisia, said. The Fund suspended lending to the Philippines in July after Manila failed to meet various monetary and fiscal targets. (AFP, Reuters)

leading contender in the May presi-dential elections, said he opposed the transfer of millions of dollars to a fractions Third World country that just kicked out U.S. bases." information I have is that this plant When President Corazon C. can never be operated. It would nev-Aquino took power in 1986, offier get a license in the United States. cials said Westinghouse and Burns & Roe Enterprises Inc., a subcon-But the government said the settractor, had paid \$80 million in

bribes to an associate of President Ferdinand E. Marcos to win the contract to build the facility. They also claimed the plant, on the slopes of a volcano on Luzon Island, 80 kilometers (50 miles) northwest of Manila, was unsafe

and improperly designed. Govern-ment officials also complained it was near an earthquake fault. But Westinghouse stressed the

site had been chosen by Philippine National Power Corp. The plant, ordered in 1974, has cost \$2.2 billion so far, more than twice what was budgeted. It has been virtually abandoned since

Westinghouse left the site in 1986, shortly after Mr. Marcos was forced from power, and part of the work needed now is refurbishment. Westinghouse agreed to pay \$100 million in cash and services that the Philippines is characteriz-

ing as repayment of the bribes. Westinghouse denied it paid bribes and pointed out that a Swiss arbitration panel found in its favor last year. (Reuters, NYT)

Bean Image Comes to Japan By James Sterngold New York Times Service TOKYO --- The United States has a new weap-

on in its battle to reduce its yawning trade deficit with Japan; L. L. Bean's Maine Hunting Shoe. After years of primarily relying on its catalogue, a big store in Freeport, Maine, and three factory outlets to sell its products, L. L. Bean Inc. signed

distribution agreement Wednesday to sell its products in a new chain of retail shops in Japan. Besides the hunting shoe, Bean plans to bring to

Japan the company's double-seated cotton canvas trail shorts, Alpine trekking jacket, superior stretch wool Ragg socks and other outdoor products Americans have used for generations to face the rigors of hiking trails - or at least the outer reaches of their backyards.

Bean will not actually own or operate the stores in Japan. The shops will be built and owned by Sciyu Ltd., a supermarket and retail chain, and Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., the world's largest producer of consumer electronic goods, most notably under the Pannsonic label.

The deal says a lot about the odd relationship between the Japanese and their images of America. Many young people in Japan zealously snap up products that carry an aura of American authenticity, despite surveys showing their growing disillusionment with the United States as relations sour between the two nations.

L. L. Bean is trying to ride a wave of Japanese interest in American goods, predilections that in-clude Ralph Lauren apparel and Coach handbags. Bean's catalogue sales in Japan have grown by more than 25 percent in each of the last five years, to \$14 million in 1991.

Bean's products, known for their moncy-back guarantee and traditional styling, may be identi-fied with the uniquely American, if aging, creature known as the preppy in the United States. But in Japan, they carry a faintly cosmopolitan air. The Bean style also complements what amounts

to a national policy in Japan: enjoying more leisure,

#### L. L. Bean is trying to ride a wave of Japanese interest in American goods.

or at least looking more relaxed and casual. Five years ago the government actually passed a law encouraging the development of resorts as a way of getting people out of their offices and blue suits and nto the country and chino trousers.

The company's president, Leon Gorman, whose grandfather, Leon Leonwood Bean, founded the business, characterized the venture as something of an experiment for the family-owned, conservatively run concern. He said the company had been approached many times about forming such a venture in Japan and elsewhere and had a generally unsuccessful marketing venture with Sony Corp. in the early 1980s.

He said one reason the company agreed to the shops was a concern that the growing popularity of Bean in Japan might otherwise lead to imports of unauthorized goods bearing the Bean label. But he made it clear that he realized Japan was a

long way from Maine. "We still have a lot to get to know about each

other," he said.

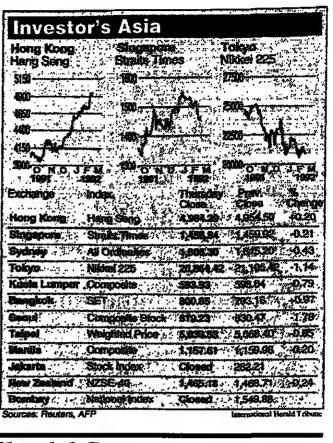
#### China and Russia Sign a Trade Pact

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"We have therefore told the FTC BELJING - China and Russia signed a trade pact on Thursday, heir first official agreement since last year's collapse of the Soviet Union, a Russian Embassy spokesman said.

Pyotr Aven, minister for foreign economic affairs, arrived in Beijing Thursday for talks with his Chinese counterpart, Li Langing.

The two men signed an agreement on trade and economic cooperation that the embassy spokes-man described as "providing a framework and main direction" for



Very briefly:

• Ricola Co., a Japanese office-equipment maker, has been placed on Creditwatch for possible downgrade by Standard & Poor's Corp., which said weak markets and competition had reduced Ricola's profitability.

• Thailand has rejected U.S. demands that it toughen its law on pharma-ceutical patents and called for a review of the trade agreement between the two nations.

• Largi AG of Germany, PT Freeport Indonesia and Nappon Mining Co. will build the first copper smelting and refinery plant in Indonesia at a cost of \$600 million.

· Capital spending by companies listed on the first section of the Tokyo Stock Exchange is forecast to fall 3.8 percent in the year to March 1993, Daiwa Research Institute said.

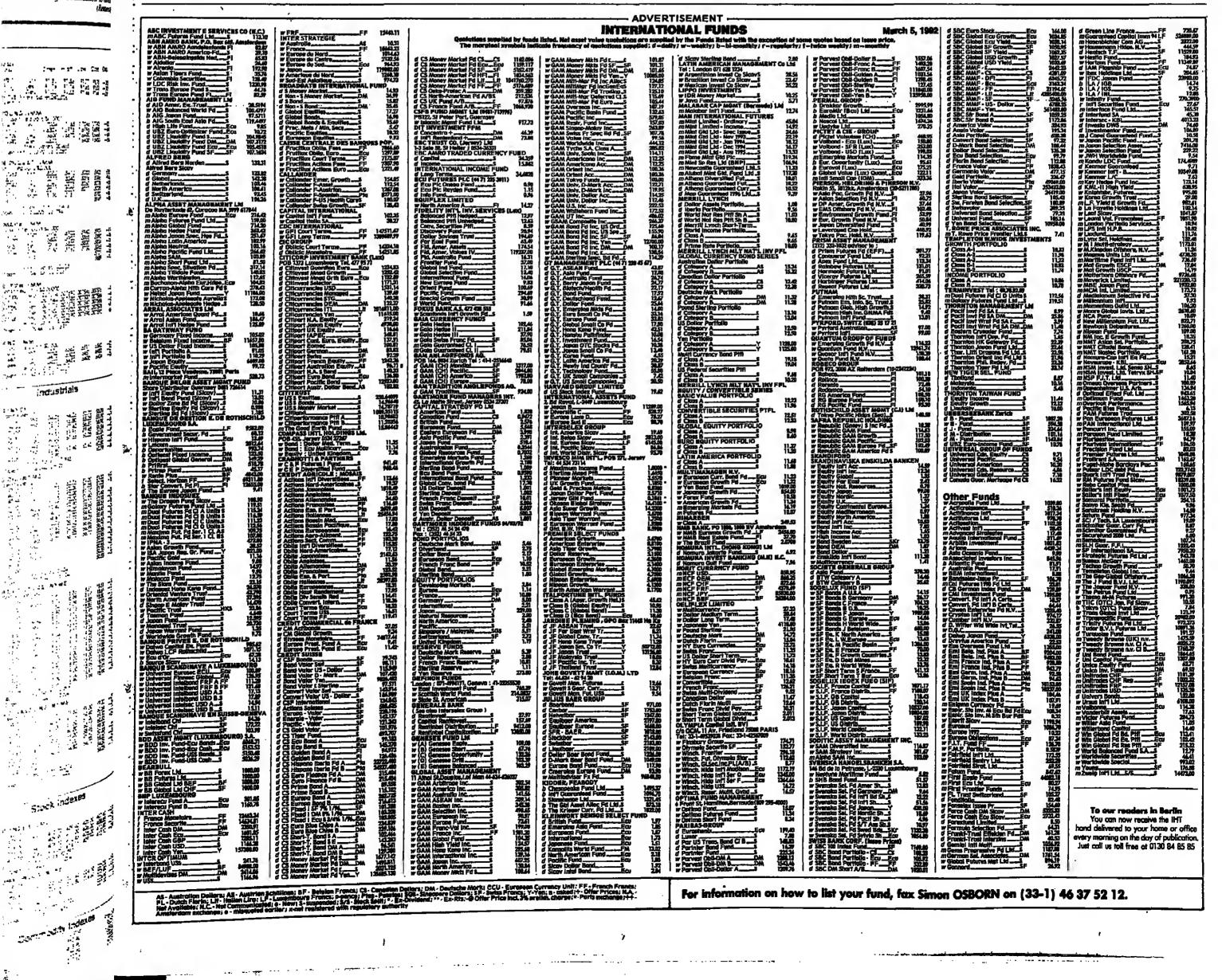
**Toshiba Corp.** and Mitsubishi Electric Corp. are planning big cuts in capital spending for the year that ends in March 1993, because of the sluggish semiconductor and computer markets.

· Coles Myer Finance Ltd., the finance arm of Australia's largest retailer, has had 1 billion Australian dollars (\$750 million) of senior debt down-graded by Moody's Investors Service, to AA3 from A1.

• Singapore, Moscow's biggest trading partner in Southeast Asia, will renew lapsed economic agreements and sign an investment treaty with Russia.

. Chua Ma Yu, the president of Rashid Hussain Bhd., has sold a substantial stake in Malaysia's top stockbrokerage and is ending a nineyear partnership with the chairman, Abdul Rashid Hussain.

"This agreement is the first be-tween China and the new, indepen-dent state of Russia," he said. • Hong Kong Electric Holdings Ltd. said consolidated profit rose 32.15 percent in 1991, to \$2.425 billion Hong Kong dollars (\$313 million). AFP, AFX, Reuters, Bloomberg



Sales of Imported Cars in Japan Fall for 14th Month in Row Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches TOKYO - Sales of imported

cars in Japan fell 14.6 percent from s year earlier to 12,720 units in February amid a continuing slump in the Japanese auto market, the Japan Automobile Importers Asso-

The decline, the 14th in a row, mainly reflected lower sales of German cars, which account for more than half the foreign vehicles sold

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in Japan. "Unless the overall economic sit-

uation improves," an association spokesman said, "we can't expect a bright future for imported cars." Reduced sales of German and

other European cars were partly - offset, however, by higher sales of cars made in the United States,

mainly by Japanese manufacturers Honda Motor accounted for nearly percent to 156 units, while sales of law," an association official said.

Sales of German cars dropped 17 percent to 7,423 units, while sales of cars made in Britain fell 24.6 percent to 1,088 units, including ruary. 225 Japanese cars. German cars

percent to 936 units, sales of Swed-Sales of cars made in the United

States rose 17.2 percent to 2,308 units, including 1,178 cars made by Japanese companies, mainly Honda Motor Co., whose car sales 221 units.

General Motors sales climbed

785 units in February, the month after s visit by President George commanded a 59.1 percent share of the imported passenger car market, Sales of French cars slid 45.9 pan on Wednesday.

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rose 65 percent to 1,125 units.

but also by General Motors Corp. half of all U.S. passenger cars new-imported bases fell to three in Feb-ly registered in Japan during Feb-ruary from 10 a year earlier. ly registered in Japan during Feb- ruary from 10 a year earlier.

A spokesman for Yanase & Co., ish cars fell 12.3 percent to 749 Japan's top auto importer, attribut-units and sales of Italian cars ed the rise in GM sales to recent dropped 24.9 percent to 435 units. model changes and increased sales

Chrysler sales edged up 3.8 per-cent to 108 mits, although sales by Ford Motor Co. fell 11.2 percent to

that our activities and documents In 1991, sales in the Japanese should not be subject to their inves-General Motors sales climbed auto market, comprising imports 8.1 percent from a year earlier to and domestic sales, posted a 3 pertigation." The official said the trade com-

cent drop from the previous year to 7.5 million vehicles. (AFP, UPI) mission had asked the association on Feb. 13 to submit documents concerning its role in Japanese companies' purchases and distribu-Japan Group Fights Probe The Japan Automobile Manu-

tion of car parts in the United facturers Association has asked the States. U.S. Federal Trade Commission to withdraw a request for documents oo the association's role in carmakers' parts purchases, Reuters re-

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The U.S. trade commission intended the request to be part of its investigation of Japanese carmak-

ers' parts-purchasing practices in the United States, the official said, The trade commission had set a March 2 deadline to receive the

Sino-Russian economic ties.

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## SPORTS SPRING TRAINING New Managers, a Whole New Ball Game

By Murray Chass New York Times Service Buck Showalter is the sixth manager the New York Yankees have had in six springs, but he is not alone in directing his major league baseball team through spring training for the first time.

Twelve other managers have that status - six who took over their teams during last season and six who, like Showalter, are just beginning their tenures. Furthermore, eight general managers were not in their positions a year ago. It is an unprecedented turnover

from one spring to the next, indicating that the price of losing grows in direct proportion to the escalation of club payrolls. Because the clubs pay the price for playing, managers and general managers

pay the price for not winning. In the next five weeks, leading up to opening day on April 6, managers and general managers will scru-tinize their teams, checking on the status of the returning injured players, watching the rookies, oversee-ing the shift of players from one position to another, deciding if, after all, they have to make a trade to shore up a weakness

The exhibition schedule began Thursday, and although its records are basically meaningless, last year they did offer a hint of what was to come. The Toronto Blue Jays and the Minnesota Twins had the best records among American League clubs and met six months later in the league championship series.

The Houston Astros, with the best exhibition record of National League teams, didn't make it to the pennant playoff - they finished last - but Pittsburgh and Atlanta, second and fourth, respectively, did.

Before anyone gets that far, the teams have to find answers to significant questions. Here is a rundown of the primary questions for each team.

AMERICAN LEAGUE Baltimore Orioles: With a healthy Glenn Davis back to bolster the offense, the Orioles turn toward pitching, seeking three starters who can remain healthy and effective enough to start 30 games each. Ben McDonaid, Mike Mussina, Rick Sutchiffe and Bob Milacki are the likely candidates. Boston Red Sox: With Carlos Quintana out for at least half the season with injuries, the number of players competing for five positions (three outfield spots, first base, designated hitter) has shrunk New York Yankees: Don Mat-from seven to six. Butch Hobson, ingly, baseball player by occupa-the new manager, would like Jack tion, will try to become a magician Lamont, the new manager, who hit tons of home runs in friendly Clark, the designated hitter, and this spring and make his disappear-Tom Brunansky, the most likely ing production reappear. As des-odd man out, to work out at first perately as the Yankees need to base, where one of them could piece together a starting pitching share time with Mo Vaughn. rotation from a mass of mediocrity Cleveland Indians: The neatest and find a third baseman to replace

trick of the spring could be the a platoon of buffoons, they have to Indians' convincing themselves find out if their once mighty hitter that they can look respectable with can be resurrected. all the young -- make that low-paid Toronto Blue Jays: While they - players they plan to use. Kenny have added veterans Jack Morris Lofton in center, Reggie Jefferson and Dave Winfield to shore up the at first, Jim Thome at third, per-pitching and the hitting, the Blue haps Mark Lewis at short may not Jays must decide if a couple of

be proven winners, but can they be rookies can further improve the less respectable than the team that team. Is Derek Bell ready to join set a franchise record of 105 losses Joe Carter and Devon White in the last year? Joe Carter and Devon White in the outfield every day, and is Eddie Detroit Tigers: While the hitters Zosky ready to take the shortstop

await a supply of bats without job away from Manny Lee? holes — the better to reduce their major-league high of 1,185 strike-zog continues to resist the temptaouts last season - Sparky Ander-son searches for pitchers who will ed left-handed starting pitchers, not allow the most hits and base but as the team's puny offense pro-

runners in the majors. Milwankee Brewers: Of the 13 managers who did not have their jobs a year ago, Phil Garner is the Chuck Finley or Jim Abbott for only one who enters spring training Ruben Sierra.

Chicago White Sox: Maybe Bo with nary a day of managerial experience on any level. The next five Jackson and the White Sox are weeks will serve as a crash course fooling themselves. Reduced to for the former third baseman. mere mortal. Bo may not be able to

comes from Jim Leyland's coach- American League parks behaves ing staff in Pittsburgh, is cager to himself and takes his new job serifind out if the real Bo can stand up ously. Plummer will also hope that and contribute to a division cham- speculation about the sale of the pionship drive.

in his first spring training as a man-ager, has designated Gregg Jeffer-ies for third base, Kevin McReyn-olds for right field and Keith Miller ben Sterra could get out of hand and Ended the state of the state o for left, and now he'll find out if his decisions were sound.

but that won't make life any easier as he seeks a replacement for the departed Jack Morris.

**Oskland Athletics:** Bob Welch begins the spring with a bad knee. which doesn't bode well for the Athletics, who need strong comebacks from Welch and Dave Stewart on the mound and from Carney Lansford and Walt Weiss (leg inju-ries) on the left side of the infield. They will also look for signs that Rickey Henderson is prepared to forget about his contract and play The size 1990 Rickey Henderson.

starting pitching. NATIONAL LEAGUE

ty post-trade comments emanating from San Francisco, Bill Plummer the new manager, will hold his

with the Expos last year.

Gooden to be ready for the start of the season, but he has only a feeling to ask the Japanese in the group to lower their interest that Howard Johnson will be an adequate center fielder in what is the Yamauchi, who would put up \$75 million of the \$125 million intended for the purchase and operation of the biggest gamble of his first year as the team, has proposed to give control of his stock to his son-in-law, Minoru Arakawa, a Japanese citizen who has been a Washington state resident for 15 years. Arakawa is president of Nintendo of America Inc. manager. Johnson's success would go a long way toward improving and stabilizing a woeful defense. Philadelphia Philies: Some peo-ple already have a dark-horse candi-The Nintendo group has rejected all proposals to

date for the division title. First, they restructure the deal, saying it was interested only if it have to learn if two surgically re-paired starting pitchers, Ken Howell and Pat Combs, are healthy, and if a newcomer, Kyle Abbott, is ready to had majority interest. Kuhlmann said he, Commissioner Fay Vincent and the American League president, Bobby Brown, would ask to meet with a representative of the group. Also Wednesday, National League realignment was blocked by the Chicago Cubs. Ten teams voted in favor of a plan to move Chicago and St. Louis to the West Division and put Atlante and Chicagoanti the Fact

Pittsburgh Pirates: All they have to do is replace Bobby Bonilla. To do that, they will return Orlando Merced, a platooned first baseman last season, to his more natural po-sition of right field and shift Jeff

club to the Nintendo people or a Kansas City Royals: Hal McRae, move to Florida will not distract

distract the Rangers. If they don't want to lose the talented outfielder Minnesota Twins: Tom Kelly is as a free agent after the season, they the only manager who has won two should conduct their necessary busi-World Series in the past decade, ness soon and approach the season with a settled team that has stronger

Chicago Cubs: They have a new

general manager, Larry Himes, and a new manager, Jim Lefebvre, but with the exception of Mike Morgan, they have the same broken-down bunch of pitchers. If Lefeb-

chough to win the vacant first base job. Otherwise, he will have to move across the infield. But that shift would probably be better for the team because young Bret Bar-berie would replace Wallach at third, and he hit .353 in 57 games

New York Mets: Jeff Torborg knows he can't count on Dwight

step into the rotation.

Tom Kelly of the Twins, the only manager who has won two World Series in the past decade, eyeing the ball in batting practice. He is also eyeing potential replacements for the departed Jack Morris. er, don't guarantee that they will be make sure the Reds don't repeat the able to replace Bonilla. St. Louis Cardinals: Don Baylor, mistakes they made last spring, when they did not properly prepare the new hitting coach, has as his first task Andres Galarraga, the for their effort to repeat as world champions. "Trn going to be on top

ic reasons — Pete Incaviglia, for example, for his hitting and Doug Jones, Rob Murphy and Joe Boever to bolster the bullpen. Some need

body else in camp seems to be getting a chance to replace the depart-ed Eddie Murray there, so why not? The preferred candidate is Kal

Cincinnati Reds: Lou Piniella will Daniels, but he could have as much trouble making the switch as Strawberry would. Todd Benzinger is the safety net, with rookie Enc Karros having an outside shot.

San Diego Padres: Their players are on the move. Craig Lefferts, a career relief pitcher, has asked for a chance to be the fifth starter because Randy Myers has bumped him from his closing role. Kurt Stillwell, who attracted little interest as a free-agent shortstop, will play second base, where he dabbled for Cincinnati in 1987.

San Francisco Gianis: Seldom has a team been so eager to shed a player like Kevin Mitchell (109 home runs the last three years). Now the Giants will see if the pitchers they received will justify the trade by improving a dreadful staff.

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### **Owners to Ask Japanese Bidders To Change Proposal on Mariners**

#### The Associated Press

ROSEMONT, Illinois — Baseball owners are to ask the Japanese-led group seeking to buy the Seattle Mariners to change their proposal.

A two-hour meeting Wednesday of baseball's owner-ship committee resulted in a decision to make a counterproposal to the group, which is 60 percent financed by

Hiroshi Yamauchi, president of Nintendo Co. We're in a negotiation," said a participant in the meeting. "Where it goes, we'll see."

"Issues were considered which called for further conversation with the Seattle group," said Fred Kuhl-mann of the St. Louis Cardinals, chairman of the 10man ownership committee.

Kuhlmann would not give details. But others who were at the meeting or knew details of the discussions confirmed the counteroffer plan. Owners have had an informal policy against non-North American owner-ship, and in December voted down a proposal that would have allowed overseas ownership of up to 37 percent.

percent vote for realignment, including approval by all teams involved in the switches. Kuhlmann would not say if the committee intended

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THE COVENANT OF THE WILD Why Animals Chose Da WILD: Why Animals Chose Dowith highly adaptable species capable of taking advantage of expanding ranges left by retreating glaciers. By Stephen Budiansky. 190 pages.

The most adaptable species, the rea-soning goes, were those that exhibited the greatest variation within their lifetimes, namely the extreme changes that all mammals and birds undergo while developing from infancy to adulthood. It

hold them up to the light, there is no possible interpretation of events in which animals were unwillingly and designedly subjugated by humans. It had to have been a blind process, as all evolutionary developments are.

ence renting a farm in rural Maryland

Why does Budiansky care so passion-ately about putting the animal rightists to rout? Basically because of his experi-

and discovering the tragic reality of natural life behind what he now see

#### BRIDGE By Alan Truscott

WHEN opponents are heading for a slam, it may make sense to double a cue-bid to direct a lead. But doubling without a clear motive can easily back-fire, and did on the diagramed deal. East had doubled three clubs to suggest a lead, and West had subsequently doubled four spades. South knew that

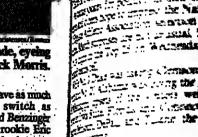
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T HE enemy that Stephen Budiansky L lines up in the gunsight of this pas-sionate, indignant book is the advocate of animal rights who argues that it is wrong to kill beasts, wrong to cat them, wrong to use them for scientific research, wrong even to subordinate them to hu-

mans as workers or pets. The animal rightist may believe, the author reasons, that nature was once a pristine garden peopled by noble savages who left well enough alone, but that modern man has ruined everything by driving the machine of technology into the garden and disturbing the peace. But this zealot is a sentimental fooi, an anthropomorphist and a maker of myths, insists Budiansky, a senior writer at U.S. News & World Report.

Budiansky writes that the first pet didn't come into being when some caveman on the way home from the hunt decided to drag along a wolf for the cave kids to play with. He then postulates what actually must have happened.

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**DENNIS THE MENACE** 

is in childhood of such species that they exhibit traits most likely to appeal to humans, like lack of fear, playfulness, softness to the touch and largo-headedness. Somehow these attributes must have forged a closer link between people

and animals. To test these conjectures, a Soviet biologist, D. K. Belyayev, tried an experiment 30 years ago in which he selected silver foxes for breeding according to the single criterion of tameness in infancy. Within just two decades, his tame-selected foxes were not just tamer; they acted for all the world like domestic dogs. And they exhibited canine characteristics like barking, piebald coat coloration, droop-ing cars and semiannual estrus that could never have been achieved in such a short time had those characteristics been bred for individually.

Now admittedly this summary of Budiansky's argument radically compresses a complex set of theories on evolution, some of whose premises seem highly speculative to begin with. But the point he stresses is that no matter how you

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simplistic stereotypes of man and nature that are being purveyed by an ever more confrontational animal rights movement to an ever more urban audience." On the one hand he concedes that to save endangered species "may require outmaneuvering the momentum of evo-

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But the Cubs said they voted against it, and others at the

The National League constitution requires a 75

meeting said the New York Mets also voted no.

lution itself," which increasingly seems to favor domesticated plants and animals. On the other hand, he writes: "It is that sense of connection with the past and with a force much larger than ourselves that is at the core of the conservation ethic. It is that recognition that na-

ture has its own laws that inspires us to be humble in imposing our own." Evidently people protect animals when it's worth their while to do so and don't when it isn't. The same can prohably said for animals regarding people. As Budiansky argues persuasively, that is the way of the world and the way it has been as long as people and animals have inhabited the Earth.

Christopher Lehmann-Haupt is on the staff of The New York Times.

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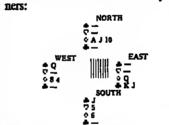
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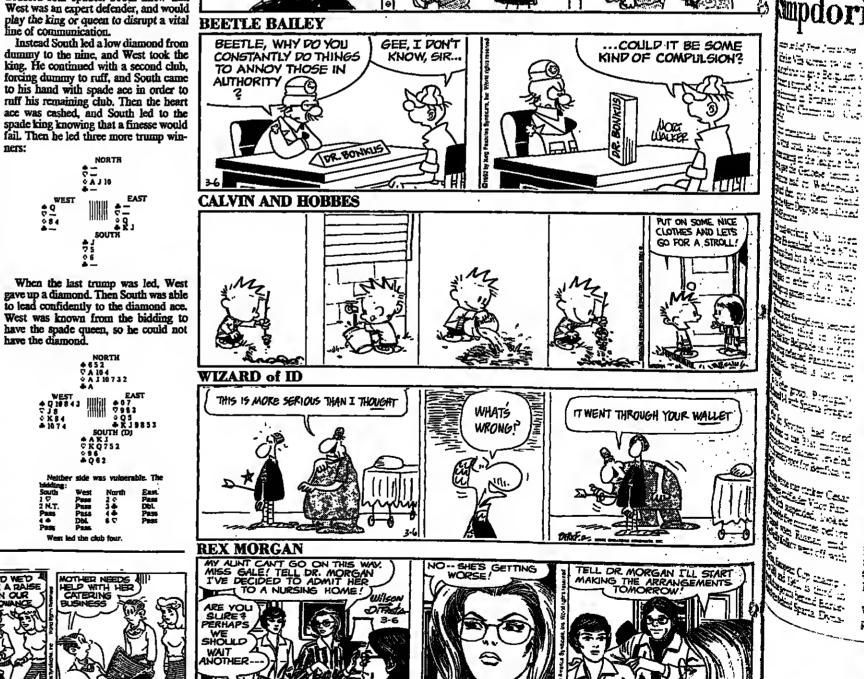
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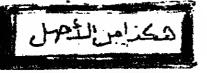
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# SPORTS WORLD CRICKET



Indiana's Eric Anderson, right, and Damon Bailey had Acie Earl in a jam, as the No. 2 Hoosiers eked out a 64-60 victory in Iowa City.

game losing streak. The Cyclones are 19-10. Florida 79, No. 10 Kentucky 62: In Gaines-

**COLLEGE BASKETBALL** 

ville, Florida, the Gators beat a ranked team for

the first time in more than two years. Stacey Poole scored 19 points and sparked a 19-3 run for Florida (16-10 overall, 9-6 SEC). Cold-shooting Kentucky (22-6, 11-4), which has clinched the SEC East title, hit only 36

Oklahoma 81, No. 11 Missouri 67: Visiting

Oklahoma shot 65 percent in the first half in

winning at Missouri for the first time since

1985. It was the second straight loss for Missou-ri (20-6, 8-5), which ended an eight-game losing

No. 12 Oklahoma State 69, Colorado 63: The

Cowboys hung on at home as Byron Houston

had 21 points and Sean Sutton added 19, hit-

ting five 3-pointers. Oklahoma State (23-6) out-

Marquette 73, No. 15 DePaul 65: Five War-

riors scored in double figures, led by Robb Logtennan's 17 points, as Marquette won for the first time in 11 visits to DePanl.

Menubis State 68, No. 21 Tulane 67: In New

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scored Colorado 27-0 from 3-point territory.

streak at Oklahoma last month.

### A March Tradition: Surprises Galore

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percent from the field.

The Associated Press

Duke and Alabama barely survived. Kansas did not, nor did Kentucky, Missouri, DePaul, Tulane or Syracuse.

As teams jockey for position in their confer-ences, and others hope to impress the National Collegiate Athletic Association selection committee. March surprises are not unusual. So on a busy night in the Top 25 on Wednesday, six ranked teams fell.

While No. 1 Duke was taking Clemson by a point and No. 20 Alabama was doing the same at Mississippi, upsets of the visitors were in order at Iowa State, Florida and Connecticut. And at Missouri, DePaul and Talane, the visi-

And an oursedue, Letran and Lange, us the tors did the upsetting. ... The ranked losers included Big Eight powers . No. 3 Kansas, which fell 70-66 at Iowa State, and No. 11 Missouri, which lost at home to Oklahoma, 81-67. But those results gave the Jayhawks (22-4, 10-3 Big Eight) the Big Eight

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No. 1 Duke 98, Clemson 97: Brian Davis had a career-high 30 points and Christian Laettner sparked the visiting Blue Devils' surge from a 19-point deficit. Lactmer had 17 of his 23 points in the second half.

The Tigers, who five weeks ago lost to the Blue Devils by 39 points, were up 70-51 with 14:26 to go. Duke coach Mike Krzyzewski then benched his starters, but they came back to

spark a 27-7 run. No. 2 Instinue 64, Iowa 60: Calbert Cheaney scored 29 points, including visiting Indiana's first 10 of the second half. The Hoosiers, on top

Orleans, Anfernee Hardaway made a 3-pointer in the Big Ten with a 13-2 mark --- they are 22-4 with five seconds left, then stole at inbounds pass to clinch the Tigers' win. Hardaway led Memphis State (18-8) with 17 points, while David Whitmore led Tulane (19-7) with 20. Connecticut 85, No. 24 Synamus 78: In Hartoverall — nearly blew it with poor foul shooting in the final minutes. Greg Graham and Damon Bailey combined to miss three free throws with just under 40

Iowa State 70, No. 3 Kansas 66: Three weeks ford, Connecticut, Scott Burrell had 25 points ago, Kansas blew out Iowa State, 91-60, in and nine rebounds, while Rod Sellers added 13 points and 14 rebounds for UConn, winner of Lawrence. This time, at Ames, Iowa State's reshuffled lineup came through. Julius Michaust two of its last nine. Burrell was 11-for-12 from the free-throw line as he scored 19 points lik, one of only two starters to keep his job, in the second half. scored 17 points, including two key baskets in the final minute, as Iowa State broke a four-

The Orangemen (18-8, 10-7) fell into a fourth-place he with Villanova and were eliminated from the Big East title race.

No. 16 North Carolina 79, Georgia Tech 75: In Chapel Hill, North Carolina, the Tar Heels ended a four-game slide, their worst since 1965. Hubert Davis scored 27 points in his final game in the Dean Smith Center.

No. 20 Alabama 84, Mississippi 83: The visit-ing Crimson Tide nearly found disaster by not finding the basket for three minutes down the stretch. But Elliott Washington hit two free throws with six seconds left.

Joe Harvell had 31 points, but missed a 3pointer at the buzzer that could have won it. No. 22 Seton Hall 90, Miami 82, OT: In Miami, Terry Dehere tied a season high with 31 points and Bryan Caver hit 11 of 12 free throws

in overtime. Seton Hall's 12 3-pointers set a school mark. Seton Hall (19-7 overall, 11-6 Big East) is tied

with Georgetown for second place in the con-ference. A victory over St. John's on Saturday would give Seton Hall a share of the title.

No. 25 Massachusetts 96, Rhode Island 88: In Amherst, Massachusetts, Anton Brown scored 22 points for Massachusetts (25-4 overall, 13-3 Atlantic 10), the top seed in the conference tournament, which begins this weekend.

### **Unbeaten England Stuns Australia**

**Botham Sets** Pace Against Cup Holder

SYDNEY - Cricket's World Cup, the ideal stage for England's Ian Botham, was illuminated by a vivid performance from the irrepressible all-rounder on Thursday. Botham almost single-handedly pushed Australia to an eight-wicket defeat that left the holders precariously close to being eliminated before the semifinals.

Australia, whose superiority at the limited-overs game made it a favorite to retain the Cup, was left in disarray as Botham seized four wickets in seven deliveries without conceding a run and then struck 53 in 79 balls.

Unbeaten England's success in the day-night match here kept them in second place in the nine-team round-robin phase and closed the gap on the leader and joint host, New Zealand, to one point. New Zealand, the only side to have won its first four games, and

England are heading for the semifi-nals while Australia is next to last in the standings, ahead only of Zimbabwe.

Botham's part in Australia's downfall was characteristic of a player who enjoys nothing more than giving England's oldest crick-cting rivals a good beating. Even in the twilight of his glitter-

ing international career, Botham, 36, remains perhaps the most in-stinctively combative cricketer in the world arena. In Christchurch, New Zealand,

on Thursday, South Africa rekin-died its challenge by emphatically beating West Indies in the first official match between the two teams. Scam bowler Meyrick Pringle effectively clinched the South Afri-cans' 64-run win with a devastating

David Boon's 10th-over departure left Tom Moody, Botham's English domestic teammate of last season, as the dominant figure of Australia's innings, promoted to open as a hard hitter two days after Coach Bobby Simpson said Anstrafia would not adopt the tactic

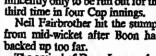
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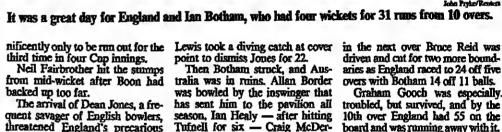


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It was a great day for England and Ian Botham, who had four wickets for 31 runs from 10 overs.



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### **Anderlecht Upsets** Sampdoria, 3-2

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches Striker Luc Nilis scored twice in the last half hour to give Belgium's Anderlecht a surprise 3-2 triumph over Sampdoria in Brussels in a European Club Champions' Cup semifical.

Italian international Gianhuca Vialli, whose usual scoring touch has been missing in the league this season, gave the Genoese team a 26th minute lead on Wednesday night and then put them ahead again after Marc Degryse equalized in the 53d minute.

The bard-working Nilis then took over. He equalized in the 67th minute and then hit a 90th-minute winner. Sampdoria had not con-ceded goals in either of its two previous group games in the round-robin competition. The result put Sampdoria second and Anderlecht third in their

group. Red Star Belgrade is in first place, having defeated Panathinai-kos in Athens, which is last, on Wednesday.

In the other group, Portugal's Beafics tied 1-I with Sparta Prague in Lisbon.

After Jiri Novotny had fired Sparta ahead in the 31st minute, substitute Antonio Pacheco leveled from the penalty spot for Benfica in the 52d.

Benfica, whose star striker Cesar Brito and key midfielder Vitor Paneira were both suspended, looked in deep trouble five minutes before the interval when Russian midfielder Vasily Kulkov went off with a leg injury.

Benfica, European Cup champi-ons in 1961 and 1962, is third in group B, three points behind Barco-lona and one behind Sparta. Dyna-

no Kiev, which fell to Barcelona on Wednesday, is last. CUP WINNERS' CUP

Quarterfinals, First Leg

Portuguese star Panlo Futre net-ted the winner as Atletico Madrid ted the winner as Atletico Madrid came from 2-1 down to edge Bel-gium's Bruges, 3-2, in Madrid. In Rotterdam, Feyenoord downed England's Tottenham in Rotterdam for being for the statement appeared to su

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rotsput, 1-0, taking to a miserial goal by Joszef Kiprich. Reggie Blinker slipped a pass to Kiprich when the ball ran loose after a misunderstanding between Tottenham midfielder Paul Allen and goalkeeper Erik Thorstvedt on the right of the penalty box and Kiprich found an empty net. In Bremen, German, German, Werder Bremen, the only German club left in European competition this season, kept their country's hopes alive by overcoming Turkey's Ga-latasaray, 2-1, after a mightmare start that saw them 1-0 down until latasaray, 2-1, after a nightmare start that saw them 1-0 down until Jorgensen and Sean Killion qualified i the 78th minute.

UEFA CUP Quarterfinals, First Leg In Genoa, Valeriano Fiorin vol-leyed home six minutes before the half and Brazilian Branco lashed in a 30-meter free kick three minutes from the end as Genoa downed four-time Champions' Cup winner Liverpool, 2-0. It was the English chub's first competitive game in Italy since the

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	FRANKFURT (AF) — A doctor who says she was present when Katrin Krabbe and two other sprinters submitted their urine samples for a drug test told the mass-circulation Bild newspaper on Thursday that the samples had looked different.	EAST	ERN CONP Atlantic Div
	Samples had looked universit. Krabbe, the world 100- and 200-meter champion, Grit Breuer and Silke Moller were suspended last mouth for four years after a German lab said the urine samples undoubtedly came from the same person. But Dr. Ellen Bindemann told Bild that the samples produced by the three sprinters at a training camp in South Africa in January looked different. "The urine samples of Krabbe, Grit Breuer and Silke Moller were not identical — two were dark and one was light," Bindemann was quoted as saying. Krabbe and her colleagues have denied any wrongdoing, and Bindemann's statement appeared to support their claims that the samples had been tempered with after the athletes submitted them. No traces of banned drugs were found in the samples,	New York Boston Philodesphia Miomi New Jersey Wroshington Oriendo Chicoso Chros Chros Chrosso Chrosso Chros Chrosso Ch	W 36 2 22 2 27 2 27 2 27 2 27 2 27 2 27 2 2
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	INDIANAPOLIS (Combined Dispatches) — For the first time in almost four years, Mike Barrowman, arguably the most consistent swimmer in the world, lost a 200-meter breaststroke race. On Wednesday night at the U.S. Olympic trials, Barrowman was beaten by Roque Santos, his Carl-Burke Swim Club training partner during early-morning workouts. But Barrowman, 23, finished second and still qualified for the 1992 Summer Olympics in Barcelona. In Wednesday's other finals, Crissy Ahmann-Leighton won the women's 100 butterfly in 58.61, the second-fastest time in history, and Summer Sanders was second. Both already had made the Olympic team in other events. Anita Nall, who set a world record Monday in the 200 breaststroke, and Meagan Kleine had the top two spots in the 100 breaststroke. Dan Jorgensen and Sean Killion qualified in the 400 freestyle. (WP, AP)	Utah San Antania Heusitan Dariver Datias Minnesota Portland Golden State Phoenic Seattle L.A. Lakers L.A. Citopers Socramento	W   40 2 35 2 31 2 20 2 17 4 11 4 90ctric Dint 41 1 38 2 33 2 33 2 30 3 20 3 9
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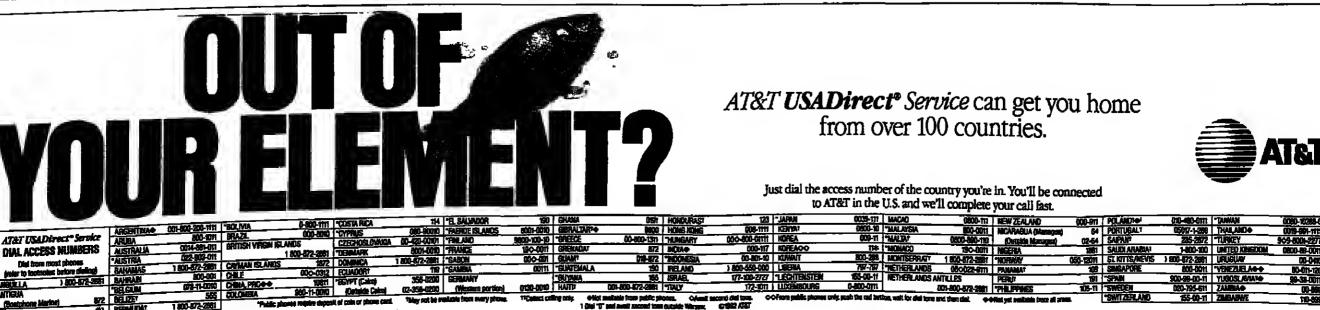
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### The Nickname Issue

By Russell Baker N EW YORK - Issues, issues, issues! Has there ever been a political campaign with so many issues? Issues out in the open. Issues on the table. Issues under the bed. Tired old issues. New improved issues as well as new miracle issues with twice as many mind-glazing compounds.

And what of the issue that dare not speak its nickname? Yes, you have been subconsciously aware of it. You have probably even asked yourself, "Why do I have this feeling that there's something wrong with Bush and Tsongas?" You couldn't explain that uneasy suspicion, could you?

It was, of course, the subliminal in know issue doing its work. Who are the only two candidates the press never calls by a regularguy nickname? Bush and Tsongas. Everybody else is Pat, Bill, Bob. Tom and Jerry. Don't they sound like the kind of people you'd like to have for a president? Pat, Bill, Bob, Tom and Jerry. Regular guys. The kind of guys who might live next door, guys who might hang around the bowling alley, high-five kind of guys. Guys whose vision of the fu-ture might be right up there in a class with Jefferson's or Reagan's.

Pat, Bill, Bob, Tom and Jerry: What a start for a great softball

Now put George and Faus on the squad. Make you nervous, don't they? George and Paul sound like the kind of people regular guys nowadays call "suits." Or maybe a duo that used to sing hymns to champagne music on the Lawrence Welk show.

There is not much Bush and Tsongas can do since "George" and "Paul" don't lend themselves to the nickname treatment without going to Mafia extremes, which would only worsen things. Imagine Bush trying to survive with the press calling him "Lips."

Another vital issue: Who will speak for the midmost middle of the middle class? This issue was injected into the compelled by Hill when he reduced his labors in Maryland to work harder in Georgia. Marylanders, Bill said, were "more upper-middle-class than middle-class," hence likely to vote for (No Nickname) Tsongas

The implication was that Geor-

gians were the true salt of the earth's 1992 class structure, in which pure middle-classness is the

absolute top of the heap. Aside from betraying a profound igno-rance of East Baltimore, Bill's suggestion that he would try to seize the midmost middle of the middle class left (No Nickname) Tsongas, Bob, Tom and Jerry with cruel stra-

tegic decisions to make: Should they let Bill's claim to the midmost middle of the middle class go unchallenged? Or should they divvy up the lower middle class, the medium lower middle class, the medium upper middle class and the upper middle class among themselves?

Which brings us to the so-called "Sonbelt issue." This has been croated by press statements that though Bill has yet to win a primary he is the Democratic front-runner because, being "a son of the South," he will surely do well (say polls and wizards) in Southern primaries. The issue here is one for South-

erners. They must ask themselves, "Does my loyalty to the Sonbelt and all its progeny outweigh my distaste for being lumped into the dreary common-denominator block of humanity embodied in the concept of midmost middle of the middle class?"

On the Republican side new ismes arise every day. Just the other day we saw Pat introduce the art issue, asking:

Can the nation afford a presi dent who grants subsidized artists the same privilege accorded subsi-dized farmers and subsidized businessmen: to wit, the right to pull stunts that are decidedly naughty?

Pat says (No Nickname) Bush has failed America not just by continuing to remain involved with the rest of the planet, but also by let-ting subsidized artists do things that would disgnst all right-thinking Americans if they could push their way through the mobs of oth-

er right-thinking Americans eager to be repelled by the spectacle of such grossne And what of the Mario Cuomo

issue? For that matter, what of the Dan Quayle issue? Moreover, to put the matter bluntly as Robert Benchley did 60 years ago, after

1903, what? New York Times Service **Berlin Jewish Show Stirs Deeper Debate** 

steered clear of non-Jewish political or artistic life. It is a

collection of artifacts showing "Jewish life without Jews,"

Group, at a press conference

such gesture."

said Peter Moses-Krause, a spokesman for the Jewish

About 45,000 Jews live in Germany today, about 10

me to power in 1933. But the majority of Jews in

percent of the number who lived there before the Nazis

Germany are immigrants, most of them from the former

Soviet Union, some descendants of Eastern Europeans

who wandered to Germany from camps for displaced persons after the war. Only a dwindling and aged few are

turned if a German president or chancellor in the early

postwar period had expressly invited them," said Julius Schoeps, a historian of German Jewry who is one of the organizers of the Berlin show. "But there was never any

Those Jews who continue to choose to live in Germany

describe varying levels of comfort in the society. Some

hold prominent positions, particularly in literature, media

and medicine. Others say they find it difficult to fit in.

Being openly Jewish in Germany means being an object.

not so much of hostility, but more of a relentless cariosity

and naïveté. When a professor at the university in Bonn

recently mentioned an American rabbi to a class of law

and politics students, several asked what a rabbi was.

Despite the paucity of Jews in the country, some Ger-mans two generations removed from the Nazi period

Surely more formerly German Jews would have re-

German Jews who returned after the Holocaust.

By Marc Fisher Washington Post Service

B ERLIN -- "Patterns of Jewish Life," now showing in a museum here adjacent to the ruins of the Nazi Gestapo headquarters, is an extraordinary exhibition, a once-in-a-lifetime collection of more than 2,000 precious prayer books, illuminated manuscripts and artworks gathered over five years from more than 300 lenders from Manhattan to Morocco.

If it had appeared virtually anywhere else in the world, the exhibition would have been welcomed as a curatorial masterpiece, a dazzling chronicle of Jewish life around the globe, from antiquity through the centuries.

But this show is not just anywhere. It has opened in a city where cearly 200,000 Jews lived before the Nazis won power, but where at most 10,000 Jews live today. It is in the Martin-Gropins-Ban, a building still pocked with bullet holes from the final days of World War II.

The stated aim was to bring alive Jewish religion and tradition, to somehow separate the idea of Jew from the image of victim, to mention only in passing the usual themes of oppression and mass murder. The result is accusations that the Germans who organized the exhibition are guilty of worshiping the past, of presenting Judaism as a rich culture that was, and is no more. The main issue is a familiar and painful question for Germans so anxious to prove to the world and themselves that they are different from their forefathers: Do Germans devote themselves to the study of dead Jews while staying

clear of more difficult relations with living Jews? "How can Germans prove good convictions?" asked the historian Michael Wolfssohn, an Israeli-born Jew who teaches at the German national military college in Munich. "Above all, through intensive engagement with Jews. But careful: not with living Jews. There you could put your foot in it, burn yourself on hot iron, or get your fingers canght. No, busying yourself with dead Jews is less dangerous (and therefore so popular)." Wolfssohn's sarcastic barb at the Berlin exhibition

"Lots of dead Jews, many, even mostly: Yes. Living Jews: Problematic." ) is no solitary voice. From the Berlin government to curators around the world, there were doubts and fears from the start that

"Patterns," which runs through April 26, would be misinterpreted, that it could even be seen as the fulfillment of Hitler's dream of a museum of Judaica that would serve as a display of a dead religion, a wiped-out people. The curators face attack from every possible direction. One Berlin newspaper even wondered whether the show

would let Germans relieve their guilt by showing them that the wealth of Jewish tradition could not be exterminated.

The official German Jewish community's leader, Heinz Galinski, has embraced the exhibition, saying it "counters the danger of regarding Holocaust victims from the mur-derers' point of view" and illustrates the wealth of Jewish culture by showing fragments of a 6th-century Jerusalem temple, a 17th-century Torah scroll from China and a 19th-century bridal dress from the Ottoman Empire.

But Berlin's increasingly vocal unofficial Jewish community, including many former East Germans and recent immigrants from the former Soviet Union, has blasted the curators for failing to communicate to Germans the vibrancy and strength of existing Jewish cultures. "What's missing is the noise, the linguistic jumble of the street" in Jewish neighborhoods around the world, said the Berlin sociologist Irene Runge

"What's missing is the blood," a documentation of the



From the exhibition: Detail of a painting of a Jewish undertakers' gathering in Prague.

Nazi murder of 6 million Jews, said Fritz Teppich, a member of Berlin's Jewish Group, an alternative organiza-culture and history. University courses on Jewish history and the Yiddish language are popular, and even small towns in western Germany often have Christian-Jewish discussion groups (although some of the groups have trouble finding Jews to round out their debates). tion that opposes the existence of an "official" Jewish community that receives government support. Other critics say the exhibition focuses too narrowly on intellectuals and fails to portray strictly religious Jews who

Germans are, after Americans, the most frequent visitors to Israel, and German television provides a steady diet of Holocaust-related programming. But the German public's knowledge about Jewish life remains slight, surveys show. That was one motivation for the Berlin exhibition. To

judge by attendance figures, the show has been a huge success, drawing large crowds of tourists and locals. Although historically, the majority of Germans were never prepared to accept the country's Jews as equals, Schoeps said, there was a German-Jewish symbiosis in intellectual life — in language, literature and music. Whether that can ever be re-created, whether Germany can ever again be home to a flourishing Jewish population of significant size, is still very much in doubt, he said. But Schoeps, born in Sweden, where his parents were in erile from Germany, and the other organizers of "Patterns of Jewish Life," want to try to bring the two peoples closer to reconciliation.

"In 10 years, there will be a new German Jewish community here, mostly consisting of people of Russian descent," Schoeps said. "Soviet intellectuals, artists, scientists will all come here. It's like the 19th century again." Whether that vision of new Jewish life will come true --even whether it should - remains a source of debate in the small Jewish community in Berlin. The exhibition's organizers have responded to the criticism by inviting all sides to have it out at a public forum next month. Nachama says he is looking forward to it: "Jewish life," he said, "means for every two Jews, three opinions - controversy."

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A Big-Ticket Crash

A man who crashed his car intig London Bridge on New Year's Eve has pleaded guilty to drunken driv-ing, but the \$430 fine may be the Pentagon North K least of his worries. Walter Beck 52, was ordered to pay for repairs to the transplanted bridge, and the bill could reach \$50,000. His car knocked down 41 feet (12.5 meters) of railing and destroyed 31 grann-bainsters on the bridge, which was reassembled at Lake Havasn City, Arizona, in 1971. The city is still negotiating costs, but Mayor Charles Langerveld said \$50,000 was a good estimate. "London Bridge isn't falling down any more," he said. "It's just getting a facelift." 

Takashi Nakayama did mon than rage after learning that his collection of hundreds of comic books, left at his grandmother's house, had been thrown out. He sued his mother, aunt and uncle ---and won. A court in Niigata prefection ture, Japan, roled that the three, as heirs of the late grandmother, were responsible for her actions and must pay Nakayama 200,000 yen (\$1.550) in compensation, Nakayama, 25, had left the books with his grandmother in 1982 after he and his mother moved. The court ordered the family to pay Na-kayama an average of 390 yen a book.

Beitring: Prime Minister John Major is related to his predecessor Margaret Thatcher, the Sun newspaper says. Britain's biggest-selling daily quoted a genealogist, Michael Wood, who said that both Thatcher and Major are descended from a family named Crust of Lincolnshire in the 1700s. There was no comment from either politician. Π.

Bob Weir of the Grateful Deadput down his guitar and wrote a gnest column for The New York Times about saving the Montana wilderness. Writing as Robert Weir, he chastizes Montana's senators, Max Bancus, Democrat, and Conrad Burns, Republican, for would turn over up to 6 million acres (2.4 million hectares) of widemess to developers and timber companies. "The timber barons and extractive industries have had their way with our national forests long enough." he wrote.

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